

Summit guard: Brazilian troops looking out for trouble from the cable car station on top of the Sugar Loaf mountain in Rio de Janeiro

#### # A PRINTE Heseltine backs mines

Michael Heseltine signalled a more interventionist approach at the trade and industry department by suggesting electricity companies should not turn their backs on mining villages in their negotiations with British Coal on future energy prices and demand.

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# Bush isolated as UK agrees to Rio treaty

FROM MICHAEL MCCARTHY, ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT, IN RIO DE JANEIRO

BRITAIN will sign the world treaty on wildlife at the Earth summit in Rio de Janeiro, the environment secretary announced yesterday.

The decision to sign the biodiversity convention effectively leaves the Bush administration isolated in its determination not to agree the

Michael Howard, the environment secretary, said John Major will sign the convention on Friday, but he will attach to it a declaration vnich makes clear now bhi ain interprets the disputed financial clause. Article 21 covers new aid for developing countries of the Third World and the prime minister had insisted that Britain should not be forced to make any

open-ended commitment". The declaration will not be legally binding, but it will make clear that Britain regards the "amount needed" as the sum the developing countries say they want and

THE government formally

declared its backing yester-

day for the Press Complaints

Commission's condemnation

of media speculation on the marriage of the Prince and Princess of Wales.

Tony Newton, the Leader

of the Commons, standing in

for the prime minister at

question time, reiterated the

warning from David Mellor.

the national heritage secre-

tary, that the commission's

views could affect next

regulation. He said: "I would

not wish to be drawn into

commenting on the stories

which have been appearing

in the press. But there will be

very widespread support in all

parts of the House for the

comments made by the Press

Complaints Commission yes-

terday." Mr Newton was

month's review of press self-

not the amount the Third World countries say the industrialised world must give. Britain's decision means that most of the 19 aid donor nations of the OECD, the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, are likely to sign. The group's members had expressed serious reservations when the text was adopted in Nairobi two weeks ago. Japan, which is still formally

undecided, indicated yester-

day that it may also sign. The government has clearly ambiguous language on finance, potentially committing aid donors to signing a blank cheque, to the opprobrium that a refusal to sign would provoke among environmental pressure groups at home and for Mr Major while he is in Rio. Environmentalists at the conference were already saying yesterday they were considering entering Britain in their list of the

summit's five worst nations.

Government backs attack

on royal press coverage

By Sheila Gunn, political correspondent

speaking after Patrick Cor-

mack, the Conservative MP,

said: "There can be few less

agreeable sights than that of

a pack of greedy voyeurs on the make." But yesterday the

media pack was out in force

at Richmond sports ground.

southwest London, where the

princess attended Prince

The Prince of Wales flew to

Denmark for a formal dinner

to celebrate the 25th wedding

anniversary of Queen Mar-

grethe II, missing his son's

Last night, another of the

princess's close friends con-

firmed that she had spoken to

Andrew Morton, author of

the book Diana: Her True

Story that has caused the

latest outburst of reporting

Carolyn Bartholomew, who

shared a flat with the princess

sports day for the first time.

Harry's school sports day.

Mr Howard's announcement in Rio is likely to shore up Britain's reputation. "The odiversity convention is the first international treaty that will protect the earth's animals and plants and their habitats," he said. "The UK government wholeheartedly supports this objective.

"But when you sign a con-vention you are doing more than making a statement of principle: you are committing yourself to a binding obligation. That is why we have had to take our time over this portant position. Howard added.

"When we first looked at the text we identified some points of difficulty. We have been working very hard to overcome them and we have now succeeded in finding solutions to these difficulties."

Mr Howard explained that the disputed treaty clause implied that aid donor countries could be told by the recipients, in the conference of the

before her marriage, was re-ported as saying that she agreed to talk to Mr Morton

because she believed it was

important that anyone suffer-

ing from bulimia nervosa, the

slimming disease, should

Sir Geoffrey Johnson-

Smith, a member of the Tory backbench 1922 committee

executive and former broad-

caster, said later that the

coverage should not provoke

a government witchhunt

against the press. "I hope the

PCC will bear in mind the

distinction between stories

where there is a legitimate

public interest and cases of

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sensationalist presentation."

seek professional advice.

much money they would have to provide. The government would make a declaration when it signed the treaty that it did not accept that interpretation. Mr Howard said that this view was shared by all the European Community states. He added that the rules of the conference of the parties had to be decided by consensus, so that "they could reflect Brit-

ain's view". Washington has been sharply criticised for its refusal to sign the summit treaty. It fears that the provisions the its biotechnology indus-try. Mr Howard said that he hoped President Bush could find a way to sign at a later

After the announcement Andrew Lees, campaigns di-rector for Friends of the Earth, said: "The British government will now come under increased pressure to protect wildlife habitats in the UK. Its record to date is utterly

Jeremy Leggett, scientific director of Greenpeace, said: We are disappointed they couldn't have signed at the opening of the Earth summit, instead of getting things off to a bad start by havering."

Paddy Ashdown welcomed the announcement. "In the final days of the summit, the British government must now put added pressure on Presi-dent Bush," the leader of the Liberal Democrats said. "His refusal to sign up in Rio has done great damage to the reputation of his country and to the world's environment."

Earlier, Baroness Chalker, the overseas development minister, returned to the question of Britain's overseas aid budget. She said that she was angry that in 1990 it had fallen to 0.27 per cent of gross domestic product, the lowest figure for a long time. She said that statistics to be released shortly would show that the 1991 budget had gone up to 0.32 per cent of GDP.

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## Watchdog orders BT to cut phone bills

By Ross Tieman INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

OFTEL, the phone industry watchdog, demanded yesterday that BT should cut its phone bills and proposed regulations that are the first explicitly designed to control the costs for domestic con-

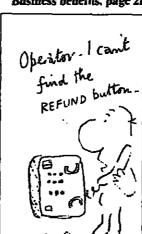
Sir Bryan Carsberg, the director-general of telecommunications at Oftel, put forward proposals for BT to fix prices at an average of 7.5 per cent below the rate of inflation during the next four years. The changes would take effect from August next BT more than £100 million a year. However, if the company rejects the package, Sir Bryan said he would refer the

and Mergers Commission. The present control is inflation minus 6.25 per cent, but Oftel hopes that the tighter regime will force the company to provide better value for money and to erode barriers to competition. Sir Bryan said he also expected the proposals to stimulate economic growth by reducing business

company to the Monopolies

He defended his decision not to limit profits at BT. which last year amounted to E3.07 billion, or E97 a second. He said the price cap gave the company an incentive to improve efficiency, and would Continued on page 20, col 3

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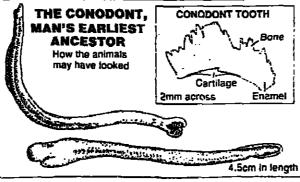


# Razor-toothed fish bites into human history

BY NICK NUTTALL TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

MANKIND'S oldest ances tor was a tiny, eel-like fish with a formidable set of razor-sharp teeth that lived 515 million years ago, more than 40 million years earlier than previously supposed.

Scientists studying tiny fossilised teeth of an animal called a conodont have discovered bone, enamel and cartilage containing calcium. This indicates that the owners were. like man. vertebrates. Such teeth have been found in Middle Ordovician and Late Cambrian deposits of between 475 million and 515 million years old. makolder than primitive verte-



brates, such as the jawless hagfish, which had been con-sidered mankind's oldest ancestors. Proof that mankind's ancestry is far older than had been thought is being claimed by scientists at Durham and Birmingham

universities, working with a dental anatomist at Guy's Hospital in London.

They decided to analyse the teeth of conodonts, animals believed to have been 4.5cms long, after the discoverv of a pristine fossil in a

coal seam near Edinburgh in 1983. Scientists have been speculating about such teeth and their owners since Christian Pander, a Russian palacontologist, discovered parts of fossilised conodonts in 1856. Since then some people have suggested that the teeth, tiny objects mea-suring up to 2mm in length, were sported by invertebrates. Other suggested that the teeth, thousands of which can be found in a single rock, might have come from plants or been repro-ductive cysts of algae.

The Edinburgh find, the first complete fossilised conodont unearthed, indicated that these animals had backbones and possessed fea-tures similar to other

teeth studies. details of which are published in Science, have confirmed these assertions and, the researchers argue, they provide in-sights into the evolution of mankind's earliest ancestors.

The scientists, led by Ivan Sansom of Durham's geological sciences department. used a powerful electron microscope at Newcastle medical school to unravel the structure of conodont teeth. It is still not clear what

these creatures looked like. Mr Sansom said the teeth suggested carnivores. If alive today, they would give a bather a nasty nip.

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# **Finance** ministers turn on **Delors**

FROM GEORGE BROCK IN LUXEMBOURG

EC FINANCE ministers last night fired a relentless barrage of criticism and com-plaint at Jacques Delors' proposals to boost the European Community's budget by 30 per cent - at a time when most of Europe's treasuries are tightening their belts.

The ministers enjoyed their first opportunity to lav into the ambitious plans laid earlier this year by the French president of the European Commission. The Danish referendum has altered the complexion of every one of the hundreds of weekly Community meetings. An emboldened Danish fishing minister yesterday asked for a larger quota of sole for his country's fishermen. In another part of the building, the linance ministers scented blood. The blood belongs to M Delors.

The discussion, one of his aides admitted, was "a little rough". M Delors is bound by the Community's hasty consensus that the Danes' rejection of the Maastricht treaty can safely be ignored. Yesterday, adjusting only a few figures to take account of a recent deal to reform the common agricultural policy. M Delors repeated his request for an additional £14 billion between next year and 1995. The increases would pay for the integrated foreign, industrial and research policies framed by Maastricht. The next few hours made brutally clear that a large majority of governments think that M Delors has overreached himself on the Com-

munity's future finances. The entire budget battle turns on Germany, whose net contribution to Brussels of £6 billion a year is three times larger than Britain's, the next highest payer. Horst Kohler, the German deputy finance minister, said the new budget was not the bill for Maastricht and immediately raised the subject of the Community's little Danish difficulty.

Herr Kohler said the budget debate was an opportunifor the Community to demonstrate its financial prudence and to respond to the fears of ordinary people. Decisions were made too far from ordinary citizens, who do not understand why Brussels should be richer while national treasuries had to cut Continued on page 20, col 1

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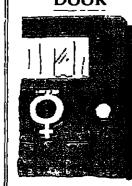
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# Tabloids shout defiance at attack on royal marriage coverage

TABLOID editors yesterday hit back at the Press Complaints Commission's condemnation of newspaper coverage of the Prince and Princess of Wales' marriage with more screaming frontpage headlines, extensive inside reports and in some cases, leading articles attacking the commission.

The Sun, which dismissed the commission's judgment as nonsense and accused it of "confusing the message with the messenger", head-lined its front page "Suicidal' Di Poured Out Her Heart To Me" and devoted three inside pages to the controversy. Both The Daily Star and Today proclaimed "It's All True" in big block letters, while The Daily Express said the press was merely doing its job in a free and open society".

The commission gave a warning on Monday that press speculation about the royal marriage, which it described as odious, intrusive and prurient, threatened the continuance of newspaper self-regulation. Lord McGregor of Durris, the commission's chairman, has said several times in the past year that if newspapers repeated errors for which they had already been censured, the industry would

Popular papers hit back in the royal war as their views drew new critics. Melinda Wittstock

reports

face direct government

Yesterday the commission said that it could not comment on whether it believed that any newspaper had yesterday flouted its Monday judgment. But it is understood that the commission had expected a far more angry reaction to its judgment than it was presented with in yesterday's papers. However, it will be closely

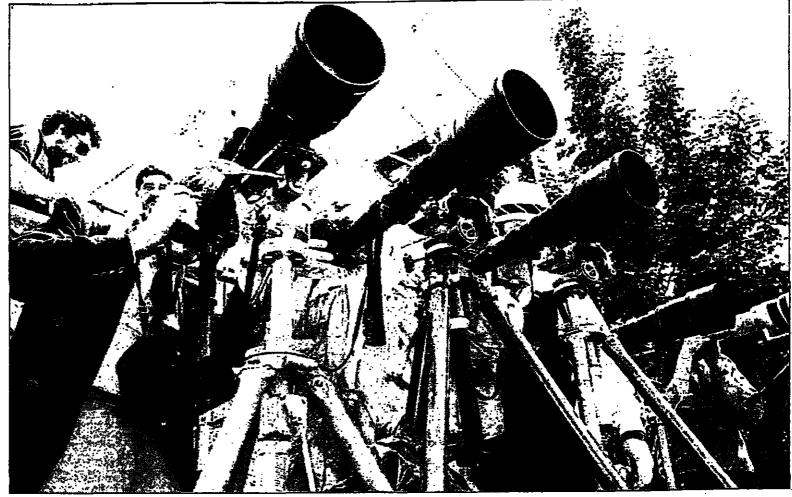
monitoring all coverage of the royal marriage in the coming days. Should newspaper editors continue to breach the industry's code of practice despite the self-reg-ulatory body's warning, the commission would have no choice but to ask all newspaper proprietors to instruct their royal coverage.

Peter Yesterday Peter Mandelson, the Labour MP for Harriepool, declared his support for the commission's judgment by adding to an early day motion already tabled in the Commons on Monday attacking both The Sunday Times and The Daily Mail for "intruding on privacy for profit". His addition to the motion "strongly commends the ac-tion of the Press Complaints Commission" and "urges all newspapers and periodicals to adhere strictly to the commission's code of practice in the future as the only means of avoiding statutory regulation".

Some of the harshest criticism of the commission's statement came from Andrew Neil, editor of The Sunday Times. which is serialising Andrew Morton's book Mr Neil said in a statement: "It's hard to work out what the commission is really saying because the statement does so much damage to the English lan-

"Every hour that goes by we get more factual back-up for what we have printed. I cannot believe that the press commission would want me as an editor to sit on a story which incolves the Princess of Wales making a suicide

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Royal watchers: a battery of cameras focusing hopefully at Prince Harry's school sports day at Richmond upon Thames yesterday

nationalised industry. He

was subsequently influential

in determining the form reg-

ulation was to take for elec-

Sir Bryan topped his year

in his final accountancy ex-

aminations. When he started

his own practice, he likes to

recall, he was told that it

would take six months to in-

stal a telephone. He went on

to become professor of ac-

As one who lists road run-

ning as a pastime, Sir Bryan

still pounds the streets of

Guildford, Surrey, in the ear-

ly mornings, humming pas-sages from Die Walkure. His

stamina and tenacity will be

called upon in his new job, in

which he becomes responsi-

ble for regulating everything

from timeshares to estate

agents, from loan sharks to

concrete cartels, and for ad-

vising ministers on competi-

being too close to the govern-

ment, or criticised for having

done too little to contain BT's

vigorous profits growth, Sir

Bryan has sworn to maintain

the independent stance vocif-

erously maintained by his predecessor, Sir Gordon

Borrie, who held the fair trad-

ing job for 16 years. "The Of-

fice of Fair Trading cannot be

much use to ministers, unless

Some former colleagues

suggest that Sir Bryan is not

the best of delegators. He is a

technocrat used to taking de-

cisions without a lot of public

Corporate wolves who lick

their lips at the prospect of Sir

Gordon's departure may well

find that they have celebrated

consultation.

it is independent," he says.

Sometimes suspected of

tion policy generally.

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tricity, gas and water.

# Complaints against water companies double to 10,000

A TIDE of anger against the high-profit privatised water companies was reported yesterday by Ofwat, the industry's watchdog, which recorded a 130 per cent leap in consumer complaints to more than 10,000 in the past

The report, by Ian Byatt, director-general of water services, to Michael Howard, the environment secretary, follows a rise in water and sewerage bills of between 35 and 56 per cent since privatisation in 1989 and coincides with the offer of perks worth nearly £20 million to the men who run the industry. Ofwat also confirmed that over 21,000 consumers were cut off last year for non-payment, a 177 per cent jump over the previous year.

In spite of complaints over costs, billing, water quality Mr Byatt defended profits. He said companies should be profitable if investors were to provide funds essential for the completion of the industry's £28 billion investment programme. But returns to shareholders should not be excessive given the "low risk nature" of the industry.

He said a rise in complaints was expected as more people learnt about Ofwat. There was no evidence the trend was caused by a decline in standards. "Many customers criticise the profits made by water companies and complain about large price

Profits have been led by Thames Water, which last week announced an 11.3 per cent rise in pre-tax profit to £236 million and North West Water, whose profits jumped 7.3 per cent to £230 million. A typical household is paying £169 for water and sewerage

services, up an average of 20 per cent in real terms since privatisation. Salaries for the chairmen of the 10 big water companies have surged by up to 290 per cent since the industry sell-off, and next January some chairmen and top executives could collect £250,000 extra in share op-

Last week, an Ofwat survey showed millions of people believed water charges were too high and many worried about the purity of tap water despite assurances of safety. Four in every 10,000 homes in England and Wales have complained to Ofwat about water companies. Nearly 40 per cent concerned the cost of water and a further 25 per cent challenged their bills. Compensation and rebates paid out by the water companies was £841,000.

Mr Byatt said water comgramme funded by more easy option, and those who

than 70 per cent of the industry's profits. Water meters are the "only satisfactory way" in the long term to achieve payment charges related to water use, he said. A rapid installation programmne to put a meter in every home would be uneconomic, but the use of meters should spread. Mr Byatt told a press con-

ference he wanted to see the water companies' shareholders question high pay rises and share options for top executives. He said: "My job is to set price levels in a tough and tight way. Having said that, it is for the companies to deliver as best they can. If they consider their executives are worth a lot of money, that is a matter for the shareholder and not the regulator to

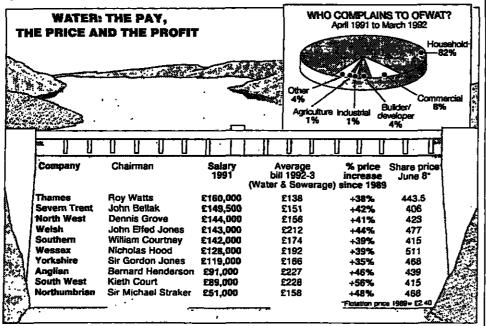
Mr Byatt said he was "very concerned" about the high level of disconnections. He saio com £28 billion investment pro- payment by instalment an

pay should not have to make up for those who do not.

Mr Byatt said hosepipe bans and other restrictive measures were a better way of dealing with water shortages in another dry summer than water by road. However, he was concerned that as much as 24 per cent of water leaks from mains pipes before reaching the customer. With programmes in place to reduce the loss, he hoped for an

Liana Stupples, spokesman for Friends of the Earth, said: "At a time when rivers are being sucked dry and customers are facing hosepipe bans, water companies are getting away with sloppy and wasteful management practice. Ofwat must abandon its softly-softly approach and immediately set tough targets for leakage control."

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# Investors given poor value for money

By Lindsay Cook, money editor

INVESTORS are being given poor value for money by sales teams wanting to earn more commission, according to two Office of Fair Trading

reports.

The reports from two independent consultants, Jeremy Mitchell and Helena Wiesner, were commissioned by the OFT to find out whether there were practices in the savings and investments industry harmful to consumers. They separately identified many of the same problems.

They found that the structure and level of remuneration of the direct sales forces of insurance companies, tied agents and independent brokers could influence the advice given to consumers so that those products or companies paying most commission were recommended.

Mr Mitchell said that independent financial advisers would be hard pressed to say to investors "You don't want anything I am selling". The drive to secure sales outlets has increased the amount of commission paid on insurance-related products, which are paid for by the consumers. These charges are obscured from investors in spite of their significant effects on to comment on how much to consumers in the coming months before new rules on how investments are sold can come into operation.

The high number of insurance-linked products which are discontinued or surrendered in the early years indicated that some consumers were being sold "unnecessary or inappropriate products". As a result there were substantial consumer losses, the reports said. They also said

that there were dangers of "substantial over-switching to personal pensions". Some sales teams have been using the news about the Maxwell pension funds to persuade

switch to personal pensions. There were the first signs that deposit-based products offered by banks and building societies were being designed with concealed costs. such as the penalties suffered on transfer from one taxexempt special savings ac-

company scheme members to

count to another. The investor compensation and deposit guarantee schemes varied in the amount they would pay out without rhyme

The complaints and regulatory systems were complicat-ed for investors to find their way around. The representation of public interests on the boards of regulatory bodies

> 'Investors not served', Business Times, page 21

Man in the news

# **Business wolves** should beware

BY ROBIN YOUNG

SIR Bryan Carsberg, who yesterday dashed BT's hopes that he might go quietly from his role as Ofter's director general of telecommunications when he made unexpectedly fierce demands for cuts in telephone charges. moves this weekend to become the country's most powerful public servant, the director general of fair trading.

No sooner was his appointment announced last January than wags in the Office of Fair Trading had posted notices saying, "Carsberg — probably the best director-general in the world".

The pioneer of utility regulation, he advised the government on BT's flotation in 1984, and when Norman Tebbit appointed him to Oftel he was the first regulator to oversee a former

## Mercury rebuked on adverts

By MELINDA WITTSTOCK MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

THREE advertisements claiming that Mercury Communications' telephone charges were lower than BT's were criticised by the Advertising Standards Authority yesterday. BT had complained that the advertisements were inaccurate and

The authority criticised one Mercury national press advertisement for not making a fair comparison with BT charges. The advertisement claimed that "pressing the little blue Mercury button... can save you an average of 35 per cent on long distance calls (over 35 miles) and up to 20 per cent on international

In all three advertisements Mercury had compared its prices with BT's basic rates rather than the true price of BT calls, the authority said. On long distance calls, BT charges vary according to the number and length of calls. The authority criticised Mercury for omitting the annual subscription fee in an advertisement for its

Dialatron Designer Mercury that was headlined Talk

more, spend less!". BT said

that the fee would detract

from any saving, which Mer-

cury claimed would be 35 per

cent on long distance calls.

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the change too soon.



Sir Bryan: probably best

# Petrol increase reaches record £2.45 a gallon

By Kevin Eason

MOTORING CORRESPONDENT

PETROL prices will hit record levels today as the cost of a gallon of four star rises by 4.5p to £2.45. Oil companies face the prospect of

a barrage of criticism as recommended pump prices overtake the previous record of £2.40 reached at the start of the Gulf war. Frank Dobson, the shadow energy secretary, called for a price regulator to ensure that future

price rises were controlled. Oil companies said that the increasing cost of bulk supplies on world markets was forcing them to raise prices. Shell, which moved first to raise pump prices, said that it was

spending £1 million a week in subsidies to forecourts so that they could offer prices cheaper than the recommended levels. A spokesman said:
"We get to the point where the pain is too great, but nobody likes to go first with increases."

Shell petrol is up today by 4.5p a gallon (a penny a litre) taking maximum prices to £2.45 a gallon (53.9p a litre) for 4-star, £2.25 a gallon (49.5p a litre) for unleaded, and £2.34 a gallon (51.5p a litre) for super un-leaded. Shell said that intense com-petition meant that not all service stations would be charging the full recommended retail price.

Esso announced that it would follow Shell's lead. Other oil companies are expected to increase prices over the next few days. Oil companies were sensitive yesterday to the prospect of further damaging accusations over their pricing

policies less than two years after being put through rigorous inspection by the Office of Fair Trading. Criticism reached its height as pet-

rol jumped by 36p in two months to £2.40 a gallon on fears over the outcome of the Gulf conflict. MPs claimed the oil companies were profiteering and the government was forced to call in the OFT. Sir Gordon Borrie, the director general of Fair Trading, found no case to answer, and cleared the oil companies of accusations that they were anti-competitive. Mr Dobson remains sceptical and was on the offensive yesterday. He said: "The petrol companies may claim they are competing but when it comes to rising prices they just swap the lead like runners in a long-distance race."

Motoring organizations, previous-ly tough in their criticism of petrol price rises, were surprisingly muted. The RAC said the price increases were disappointing, but added that oil companies lowered prices just as quickly as they raised them. The AA said the rise was understandable in view of international price increases. The organization's advice was to shop around because there would still be a wide spread of prices.

#### **NEWS IN BRIEF**

# Libyans admit they supported the IRA

A formal confession of Libya's long-term state-sponsored support for the IRA was provided yesterday for the first time in an extraordinary meeting between Libyan and British officials. In a two-hour session at the United Nations' European headquarters in Geneva, the Libyans answered a long list of questions drawn up by British security and intelligence services — although nothing was acknowledged in writing. The list of questions had been handed to the Libyans through the UN after Colonel Gaddafi said he was renouncing support for terrorism.

The Libyan leader wrote to Boutros Boutros Ghali, the UN secretary-general, on May 11 offering to meet Britain's request for information on the IRA. Provided the answers are sufficiently detailed, with names of IRA gunmen trained in Libya as well as dates and sizes of arms shipments, the information will be a breakthrough for Britain's counterterrorist agencies. Edward Chaplin, British charge d'affaires at the British mission to the UN in Europe, would not say afterwards whether they had discussed the Lockerbie bombing. Two Libyan intelligence officers are suspected of being behind the bombing and Libya is currently suffering an international air and arms embargo for failing to hand them over to the British or American authorities.

#### Drivers cut insurance

The rising cost of car insurance could be leading young drivers to cut the level of cover they buy, according to a survey by the Mintel research group. It found one in five motorists are concerned that rapidly increasing premiums are preventing them from taking out policies which cover all potential disasters on the road. Two thirds of 1,000 drivers questioned said they were "super cautious" when taking out car insurance because they wanted the maximum cover. Mintel says these motorists are worried by the increased risk of road accidents and theft. Transport department figures show that more than 330,000 cars were involved in accidents in 1990 compared with almost 270,000 in 1980. while car crime has increased 30 per cent and now costs insurers £500 million a year.

## Printer discharged

A printer avoided a jail sentence yesterday in Britain's first trial under anti-hacking legislation. Richard Goulden, a freelance typesetter, helped put his employers out of business with a pirate computer programme because he said they owed him £2.275 in back pay. Mr Goulden, 35, of west London, was conditionally discharged for two years after changing his plea to guilty on the second day of the Southwark Crown Court hearing. He was ordered to pay £1,200 prosecution costs and £1,250 compensation to the company's liquidators. Warwick McKinnon, for the prosecution, told the jury that Goulden added a programme to a computer belonging to Ampersand Typesetters, of Camden, northwest London, last year which prevented the retrieval of information without a special password.

## Scientists to strike

Nuclear scientists working on a revolutionary experiment will strike on Friday because they receive less pay than scientists from other European countries. Scientists on the Joint European Torus (Jet) project at Culham, Oxfordshire, voted overwhelming for the one-day strike last week. Their union, the Institute of Professionals, Managers and Specialists, said more one-day strikes will follow. The scientists will mount a picket at the gate of the laboratories. The nuclear scientists have fought a 13-year battle to achieve pay parity with their counterparts from other European Community countries, who they say are paid twice as much The Jet project aims to produce energy by fusing light hydrogen isotopes, which would provide a cheap and safe alternative to nuclear power.

Security guard checks
Independent regulation of the private security industry is expected to be on the agenda of a new police and Home Office working party set up to examine the industry's recent expansion. Details of the working party were given yesterday by Brian Johnson, chief constable of Lancashire and president of the Association of Chief Police Officers. speaking as delegates gathered for a national police conference in Eastbourne. He said that chief constables were anxious to see regulations for curbing the excesses of cowboy firms and had been pressing for action for more than a year. Mr Johnson said that he believed the staff of security firms would be checked for criminal records. A report by the association several years ago highlighted cases where security men used their jobs to commit crimes.

Teenage rapists jailed

Three youths who repeatedly raped a 16-year-old girl were jailed at the Old Bailey yesterday. Curtis Jorden, of Hammersmith, west London and Simon Suleyman, of Shepherds Bush, west London, both 17, were sentenced to eight years in a young offenders' institution. Delroy Brown. 16, of Shepherds Bush, was given eight years' desention. The victim was raped seven times and forced to perform oral sex seven times. Brown threatened her with a gun to force her to submit, and the other two watched as he raped her on the floor. The court was told that despite counseling she had not recovered from the ordeal.

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# One in four schools has no policy on sex education

By Alison Roberts

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including sex education in

the curriculum although

parts of the national curricu-

ium for 11 to 14-year-olds

require an "understanding of

the healthy functioning of the

human body" which would

include an element of sex

homosexuality. Aids and sex-

ual abuse, is "overriding re-sponses to the needs of the young people receiving the education".

Margaret Morrissey, chair f the National Confedera-

tion of Parent Teacher Asso-

ciations, said that the results

of the survey were very worry-

ing. "I am absolutely stag-gered and I think this is a major concern. Many par-

ents rely on teachers in this

would want to make sure that

sex education was taught alongside the moral issues

The report recommends thorough monitoring of sex education policies as part of

school inspection and the specific marking of funds for teacher training. Young people should also be consulted when planning a sex education.

The moral issues behind

sex education will be debated

tomorrow when the House of Lords considers amending an

order establishing national

curriculum science teaching.

Lord Stallard is proposing a

conscience clause for teachers

allowing them to opt out of

lessons on HIV and Aids,

currently part of the curricu-

Ceri Hutton, of the Nat-

ional Aids Trust, said: "This sort of amendment of the core

curriculum is unprecedented. It is a kind of Trojan horse.

Under the aegis of protecting young people, this may mean

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The Sex Education Forum

said that teachers received

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The report concludes that teacher anxiety, particularly relating to the discussion of

education.

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A QUARTER of schools have four per cent of secondary no sex education policy in spite of a statutory requirement since September 1987. according to a survey of all local education authorities in England and Wales.

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The implementation of sex education policies in schools is causing confusion and anxiety among teachers and local education authorities, the survey says. Only 46 per cent of authorities know how many of their schools have

The Sex Education Forum survey, published today, said that the three most important problems identified by LEAs with regard to sex education were embarrassment and uncertainty among teachers: pressures of the national curriculum; and confusion over a cross-curricular approach to

All school governing bodies are required to draw up a policy document on sex edu-cation and make it available to parents. The report shows that, where information is available, a quarter of schools have failed to do so. Eighty-

# **School test** rankings challenged

BY JOHN O'LEARY **EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT** 

THE first official rankings of national curriculum test re-sults gave a misleading impression of local authorities' performance, according to re-

search published yesterday.

Ministers insisted that last year's results by seven year-olds owed little to social factors or spending policies. Weighting the results according to pupils' backgrounds, however, the London Research Centre produced dramatic changes in the league

which headed the government's rankings, dropped to 14th, while Rotherham went from 41st to top of the 105

The centre took account of the social structure, ethnic breakdown, parents' qualifications and population density. The results were also adjusted to give credit for pupils reaching the highest levelsof performance.

The alternative ranking top ten authorities (official placing in brackets) were: 1 Rotherham (41); 2 Kirklees (11); 3 Haringey (56); 4 Isle of Wight (19); 5 St Helens (14); 6 Hertfordshire (5); 7 Harrow (4): 8 South Tyneside (44); 9 Wirral (24): 10 Bromley (3). Bottom ten: 96 Bolton (88): 97 Rochdale (97): 98 Sandwell (103); 99 Staffordshire (66): 100 Birmingham (102); 101 Dudley (94); 102 Bexley (79); 103 Walsall (101); 104 Newham (104);

105 Bradford (105). Pupil attainments and social status (London Research Centre. Parliament House, 81 Black

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Tribute: a woman police constable places flowers where Glenn Goodman died

# Police had questioned gunmen at roadside

By Paul WILKINSON

WO police officers shot by rish gunmen on Sunday had spent 20 minutes questioning the two men, it emerged yesterday.

Glenn Goodman, 37. a special constable, was fatalinjured and Sandy Kelly, 2. a regular police constable, was seriously hurt as they checked the occupants

of a car near Tadcaster.

Det Chief Supt Robin
Cooper of North Yorkshire
police, who is leading the murder investigation, said: PC Kelly had not been satisfied either with the vehicle or the occupants. He was making checks outside the

Mr Cooper said that the officers had first seen the red Sierra car shortly after 15am, parked in an area of Tadcaster which had been empty shortly before. They went to check the vehicle but it was driven off at "quite a high speed". They followed and stopped the Sierra two miles away. The gunmen tried to talk their way out of the situation but after 20 minutes shots were fired.

Yesterday police began house-to-house enquiries. They believe that the gun-men have escaped from the area which has been searched by police for the past two days

Surgeons began an attempt to remove a bullet from PC Kelly's pelvis but decided to postpone the operation. Earlier in the week four bullets were removed

# **BBC** reaffirms commitment to public service

BY MELINDA WITTSTOCK, MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

SIR Michael Checkland, the BBC director-general, has sought to quell uncertainty and boost morale among the corporation's 20,000 employees by setting out the BBC's commitment to public service broadcasting well beyond the renewal of its royal charter in

In a letter to employees, Sir Michael made clear that the BBC governors and manage-ment believe the corporation's role is to inform, educate and entertain its viewers and listeners as a distinctive but popular broadcaster catering to all sectors of the population. Those principles were the bedrock on which Lord Reith founded the BBC. Sir Michael promised that the BBC's case to the government would be "robust

and strong".
The BBC, which will not be publishing its own blueprint until David Mellor, the national heritage secretary, releases the government green paper in September, will focus on "four key objectives" into the next century, according to the letter:

☐ impartial, accurate news and current affairs and information programming:

a wide range of British entertainment and cultural programming that meets the highest standards:

☐ formal and informal educational programming: ☐ international programme services through World Ser-

vice radio and television, and international business activi-

The outgoing director-general, who will be replaced in April next year by his deputy. John Bin, said the BBC board of governors and board of management had agreed the four principles after considerable research into the likely shape of the broadcasting industry by 1997 and

He said there will not be sufficient advertising or other revenues to sustain the wide range of radio and television services that the public demands. The BBC would make a strong case for the continuation of the licence fee. It will agree on its strategy for future funding, structure and accountability after a series of three governors' meetings over the summer.

Sir Michael wrote to staff: Clearly the BBC is going through considerable internal change at the moment, coupled with the uncertainty associated with the forthcoming debate about our future. Inevitably it will be a difficult time for all staff but we cannot expect these issues to be resolved early ... We know already that questions will be asked about the BBC's size, its efficiency, its funding and about the range and scope of our services. The BBC intends to put up a vigorous and clearly argued case for its

## Rescuer drowns in river

By Peter Victor

A MAN drowned with his would-be rescuer in the river Tone at Taunton, Somerset, yesterday. The bodies of the two men were recovered by a police diving team after a six hour search.

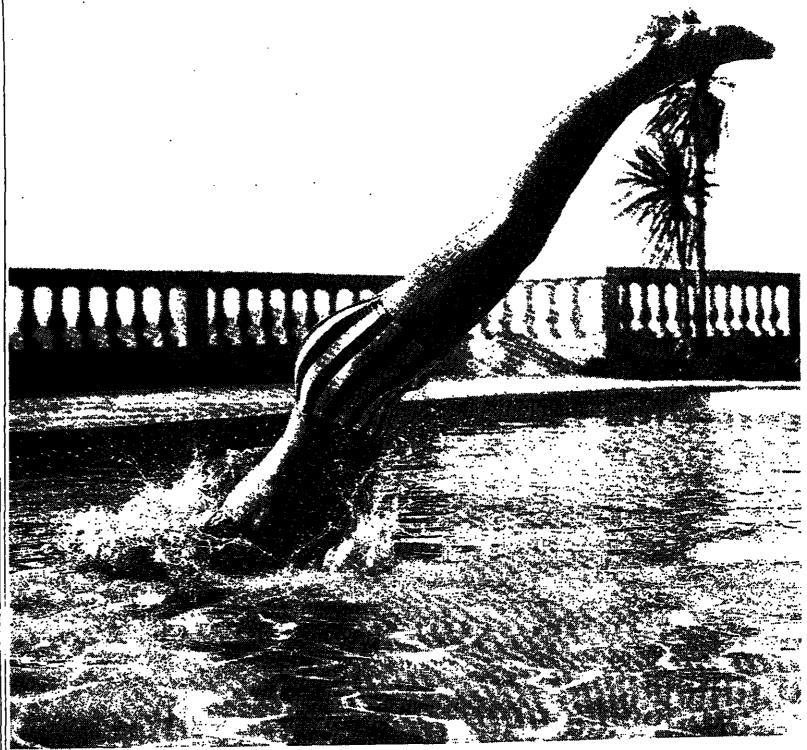
Witnesses reported hearing cries for help after a man aged around 50 fell into the river. Four people attempted to rescue him and initially it had been thought that three

lives." She said that more The first victim was seen in funds for teacher training the water at around 10am near the Somerset cricket club ground in Taunton. Another man in his forties went to his rescue but was heard to shout: "I can't swim very well." He tried to drag were often learning from text the older man ashore but The education department both disappeared below the surface of the slow-flowing said that parents who were unhappy about sex education river. Two electricity workers also went to the rescue, as did an 18-year-old youth, but to no avail.

Police, including an underwater search unit from Bristol, recovered the two bodies in 10ft of water near Priory Bridge. They were taken to Musgrove Park Hospital mortuary in Taunton.

Tim Jones, a police spokesman, said: "We are not sure at this stage how the first man came to be in the river. It is clear the second man was trying to save him when he got into difficulties. It was a brave attempt which went tragically wrong. We have found a bag containing personal papers relating to at least two different people."





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# Fraudsters and thieves join forces in art trade crime money but had won money

Stallard: wants teacher

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A CLOSE relationship be-tween fraud and theft is making the art market more unpredictable than ever, delegates to the Interna-tional Art Theft Conference in London were told

yesterday. Constance Lowenthal, director of the New York-International Foundation for Art Research, an art retrieval agency, outlined many recent cases in which theft and faking were combined.

She said that Henri Kuns, a Canadian, spent the 1980s stealing French im-pressionist watercolours and taking them to Toulouse where he had them reproduced. He then returned the fakes to North America for sale. "He was getting close to his £1.1 million profit goal when he was arrested last spring, she said, adding that he had now been jailed.

Howard Keck, widow of a Los Angeles millionaire, when she noticed her Anders Zorn painting "looked surprisingly flat." It had

Impressionist paintings sold by their thief turned out to be fakes,

Sarah Jane **Checkland** writes

been replaced by a photograph. Mrs Keck's butler was tried for stealing the painting, but acquitted. The original painting subsequently sold for £328,000 to a Swedish corporation which got good title by buying publicly, under Swedish

Another case of mistaken identity concerned a painting of a vampire by Edvard Munch, which disappeared from the Munch Museum in Oslo. Police thought they had found the painting in a train carriage, but it turned out to be a prop used by drunken revellers in a stag

night stunt. The actual painting was returned by the thief himself who walked into a police station with it, saying he had stolen it to make

on the horses and felt flush. Sometimes the culprits bite off more than they can chew. Thieves who made off with old master paintings worth £7 million from the dealers Colnaghi in New York were specialists in opportunist break-ins through skylights, and were hornfied to discover the value of their haul when they read

been recovered. Dr Lowenthal warned the public against believing false provenances. Fake Faberge eggs were being marketed by the whispered promise that they have been 'smuggled from Russia." she said. In fact they are

being made in America.

the newspapers the next

day. These paintings have

Trouble was being stored up for the future by the Museo del Imaginario of Cremona in Italy, which produces works of art for collectors, she said. Although the company marks the stretchers and canvasses "falso", these warnings could easily be removed by

future generations.

# Russian mountaineer's discovery expected to throw light on ten-year-old mystery of two Britons

# Everest body and diary offer clues to vanished climbers

A DIARY found high on the nonheast ridge of Everest near the body of a climber may yield clues to the disappearance ten years ago of the British mountaineers Peter Boardman and Joe Tasker.

As Valery Khrichtchaty, a Russian climber, was cross-ing the difficult pinnased section of the ridge, he found the body at 27,200ft, by the remains of a tent containing two sleeping bags. From his description and the equipment and clothing that he found, the body could be that of Mr Boardman, who was last seen with Mr Tasker in that area.

The families of the two climbers are trying to contact Mr Khrichtchaty to secure the diary and learn any other details of his discovery. It is understood that the Russian climber intended to hand the diary to Chris Bonington, leader of the northeast ridge attempt in 1982, who is climbing in the Himalayas.

It was thought at the time that Mr Boardman, 32, and Mr Tasker, 34, may have fallen to their deaths down the Kangshung face, on the Chinese side of Everest, as they climbed the mountain's last unconquered ridge. The

Boardman: the body is

believed to be his

examines the latest development in the tragedy of Peter Boardman and Joe Tasker

**Ronald Faux** 

two men were the leading climbers of their day and talented writers. The Boardman-Tasker literary award was founded ten years ago in The discovery answers one

question but poses another, Walt Unsworth, author of a history of Everest, said. Why was only one body found outside a tent with two sleeping bags? Mr Boardman's widowed mother. Dorothy, said at her home in Stockport: "We can only wait to see what the Russian climber tells us. I hope the diary will give some clue as to what happened.'

The northeast ridge was first crossed to its junction with the north ridge by a British expedition in the summer of 1988. Harry Taylor, a former SAS soldier, and Russell Brice reached the junction with the north ridge and descended to the north col. They found no

popular goal of high altitude expeditions, even though many mountains which are Tasker: like Boardman. slightly lower provide a better technical challenge and are

photograph of the ridge taken in 1985 by American climbers on the north col showed patches of colour, possibly a tent, among the The route along the ridge

is complex and swept by storms that constantly change the snow cover. "It is not surprising that the earlier expeditions found no sign of the British attempt," Mr Unsworth said. "First there is the concentration that would be needed to find the route and then the constantly changing nature of the

Mr Khrichtchaty was with a combined Japanese-Ka-zakhstan expedition trying to make the first continuous ascent of the 29,028ft mountain by the northeast and north ridges. When he reached the junction of the ridges he descended to the north col, but a Japanese climber, Manabu Hoshi, continued alone and was last seen on May 23 at a camp at 25,200ft. He is presumed to have perished in the area where George Mallory and Andrew Irvine disappeared in 1924, the first of the mysteries surrounding the world's highest summit.

This spring has brought the number of Everest as-cents to 453 by 399 climbers, some of whom have climbed the mountain more than once. The pressure of expeditions, which led to 32 people arriving on the summit on May 12, may have robbed Everest of some of its lofty isolation. More mountaineers seek to "tick off" the world's 8,000 metre (26,246ft) summits, in the same way that hill walkers seek to collect "Munros" -Scottish mountains over 3.000ft - and commercial expeditions will guide clients to the top for \$40,000.

Everest remains the most



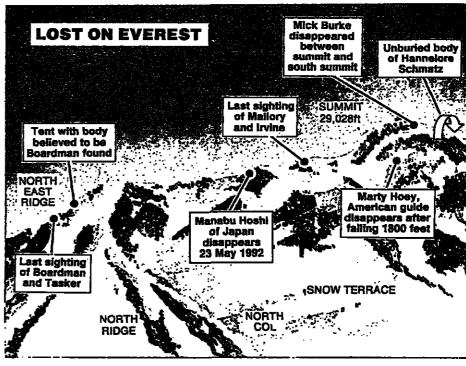
less costly to "book". Since Reinhold Messner and Peter Habeler became the first climbers to reach the summit without oxygen sets, in 1978. many climbers have dispensed with the cumbersome equipment. Even with oxygen, the summit is a formidable place to reach. Thin air reduces the body's resistance to cold, making it prone to a variety of high altitude

Since Mallory and Irvine disappeared in 1924, 103 climbers and Sherpas have died on Everest from falls. exhaustion or oedema, the accumulation of fluid in tissue spaces. Many bodies have not been recovered.

Thirty-eight mountaineers who have stood on the summit have perished on other expeditions. Wanda Rutkiewitz of Poland, the third woman to climb Everest, is feared to have perished in May on Kangchenjunga, the third highest mountain

One of the most poignant incidents on Everest itself was the death of Hannelore Schmatz of west Germany, who in 1979 died of exhaustion above the south col with her American companion, Ray Genet. Her husband, Gerhard, 50, had earlier succeeded in becoming the oldest man to climb the mountain. The ground is frozen hard and there are no crevasses where she died, so for years afterwards her body remained where she fell.

One British climber on his way to the summit retains a vivid memory of seeing her. apparently asleep in the snow with the wind blowing her hair, a reminder that however many people gasp their way to its summit, Everest may still exact a terrible



Royce, he or she would be fined considerably more than

income, she said. Now for the

first time they can increase it.

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have to take into account the

circumstances of each indi-

vidual case, which can vary

enormously, before imposing

Under the new scheme.

which is already in force in a

number of courts after suc-

cessful pilot trials in four cen-

sentences have all been rated

in terms of seriousness and

given a number of "units", so that handling stolen goods, for example, carries 18 units, general theft 15 units and

obstructing a police officer

allowed to consider previous

convictions; they must con-

sider only the seriousness of

the offence before them. To

arrive at a fine, the units are

multiplied by the offender's

weekly disposable income in a

formula similar to that for

range is from £12 up to a

maximum of £300. Anyone

exceeding that income will be

assessed as having £300. The

fine for theft from a shop or

from a vehicle (15 units)

could therefore range from

£60-£1,500; for handling sto-

len goods (18 units) from £72-

£1,800; or for grievous bodily

harm (40 units) from £160-

£4.000, although with the

most serious offences courts

are more likely to consider a

community or custodial

penalty. Jane Gummer,

chairman of the sentencing

committee, said that in plac-

ing offences in order of seri-

ousness, violent and sexual

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The disposable income

legal aid means testing.

Magistrates will not be

sentence," she said.

Courts will still have consid-

This might seem inconsis-

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# Courts set higher fines for wealthy offenders

By Frances Gibb, legal correspondent

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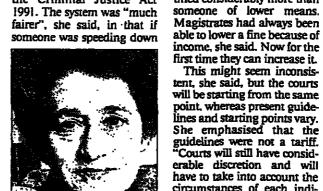
1991. The system was "much

said the guidelines were the motorway in a Rolls-

WEALTHY offenders will pay far heftier fines than poorer offenders under new national guidelines for magistrates' courts that link fines

with an offender's means. The guidelines, published vesterday with the approval of the Lord Chancellor and Lord Chief Justice, will be aimed at creating a more fair and consistent system of fines from October. The range of fines for any one offence is likely to be far greater than at present. For house burglary, for instance, the poorest offender could be fined £120 while someone with a weekly disposable income of £300 or more could be fined £3,000.

Joyce Rose, chairman of the Magistrates' Association.



Rose: aiming for a

# Sentences differ for similar crime

BY RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

THE different sentences handed out to Andrew Tolstoy and Alden Reid indicate the anomalies in sentencing that magistrates and the ju-diciary have been attempting to overcome by producing a series of guidelines.

Mr Toistoy, a first time offender, was jailed for a week after driving when just under twice the legal alcohol limit for drivers. Yet in another courtroom at Horseferry Road Magistrates' Court, London, in the same week last December, another stipendiary magistrate fined Mr Reid £400 for his second drink driving offence. He, too, had been just under twice the legal limit.

Not only stipendiary mag-istrates but many of the 28,000 lay magistrates also deliver inconsistent sentences nationally and even within a particular area. A Consumers' Association survey found that the average fine for ignoring traffic sig-nals was £26 at Highbury Corner, north London, but was £68 at Brentford, west London. The average line for a speed limit offence was £57 nationally but at Lincoln

Magistrates' Court the average was £29 compared with £109 at Atherstone and Coleshill magistrates in the West Midlands, according to the 1989 survey.
Since then, little additional

research has been undertaken but the penalties delivered as part of last year's effort to curb drinking and driving at Christmas brought renewed pressure for greater consistency in sentencing. Although consistency is difficult to measure without knowing factors such as a person's criminal record and income plus the circumstances of the offence, some magistrates and MPs recognise the need for greater consistency to reassure a more questioning public that justice is fair.

The difficulty facing those attempting to achieve greater consistency is that guide-lines such as those published yesterday are advisory and have no legal backing. What-ever the Court of Appeal and Magistrates' Association may propose, magistrates' and local benches dispense justice in the light of all the circumstances before them.

## Firm must pay tax on free coffee

NEWS IN BRIEF

A Wiltshire company sent a £1,577 bill by the Inland Revenue for giving staff a free cup of coffee twice a day was ordered by the Tax Commissioners yesterday to pay immediately. The free perk had been noticed in the company's books by a tax inspector. The commissioners decision could have ramifications

for thousands of companies. The Salisbury Printing Company appealed to the commissioners after receiving the Inland Revenue demand. Stephen Tilley, who runs the firm, had provided £1 a week in 10p pieces for each of his 18 staff to have ten cups of coffee from the vending

machine as a goodwill ges-

ture. The Revenue went back

six years and taxed every employee's cup of coffee paid

tres, courts must first for by the firm. consider the gravity of the offence. The most common **England** win

England won the first three games of their second round match against Finland in the Chess Olympics in Manila, the Philippines, yesterday. There is still one game unfinished but it looks likely that it will end in an England vic-tory as well. England is likely to have seven points, pressing Russia, the tournament lead ers, who have 7½ points out of 8 after defeating Switzer-land by 3½ points to ½ point.

# Cyclists halted

Two cyclists face prosecution after police enforced a ban on cycling in the centre of Cambridge. Since new restrictions were imposed on June 1. police and traffic wardens have been warning offenders. but officers are now under orders to take a firm line. No cyclists are allowed in a central triangle in Cambridge between 10am and 4pm except on Sundays.

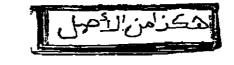
#### Sword found

A 3,000-year-old Bronze Age sword has been found in the bucket of an earth-shifter in Yorkshire as archaeologists were ending an unsuccess search for Roman remains. It: was unearthed on the site of 2

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# The killing they make in the Sushi bar isn't as painful as the one they make in the ocean.

Despite the 1986 ban on commercial whaling, the Japanese still kill three hundred whales a year for so-called scientific purposes.

While rich patrons devour the results of this research in fashionable Sushi bars, whales continue to suffer agonising deaths in the ocean.

Now Japan, Norway and other whaling nations want a resumption of commercial whaling itself.

At the next conference of the International Whaling Commission in Glasgow starting on June 29th, they will try to reverse the 1986 ban.

Instead of 300 whales a year they will be killing thousands – by the same cruel methods as before.

The truth is, there is no humane way to kill a whale.

Powerful whaling boats may chase their prey for up to an hour before they close in for the kill.

This in itself can cause great distress, forcing the whales to dive and surface with unnatural frequency as they become more and more exhausted.

Then, for the whale to stand even a chance of an instant death, the harpoon must explode in its head or heart.

If the gunner has an off day (easy enough in the high, swirling seas) the whale is subject to a cruel lottery of pain.

Øen in a 1985 report recorded the average death times of minke whales caught by Norwegian whalers in the 1981, 1982 and 1983 seasons.

As you can see, the death times were all unacceptable but varied considerably according to where the whale was hit.

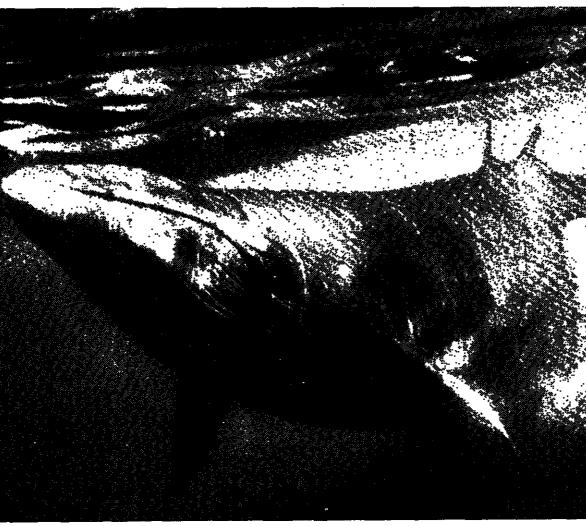
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Clearly, such haphazard cruelty would be illegal in an abattoir.

The RSPCA has been calling



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# When the harpoon passed straight through the body the mean time to death was 4 minutes, 4 seconds.

attention to whaling cruelty for over thirty years and the figures are overwhelming (in every sense).

In 1983, of 174 whales killed on one Norwegian outing, only 36 (20.5%) were killed instantly.

The average time taken to kill a whale was 11 minutes, the maximum time was an appalling 60 minutes.

In 1975 an independent observer (Best) recorded a particularly messy kill off the coast of South Africa. On that occasion, seven harpoons were needed to kill just one sperm whale.

Significantly, the survey showed that of 167 sperm whales killed, nearly 54% of them required two or more harpoons to do the job.

Since the whale has a brain and nervous system comparable to those of humans, there is every reason to believe they feel pain as acutely as we do.

If a harpoon fails to explode within the whale's body, the whale is left with severe internal injuries from the barbs attached to the harpoon's head.

Setting up a subsequent strike can take five to seven minutes, so

whales frequently die slowly and in great pain.

If commercial whaling does restart, the whaler's first target will be thousands of minke whales in the Southern Hemisphere.

Until recently the minke whales were considered too small to be worth the whaler's attention.

Now, having depleted the supply of larger species, often to the point of extinction, the minkes represent one final bonanza for the whaling industry.

The RSPCA believe that the pressure to resume commercial whaling must be resisted.

All whaling operations are cruel and unnecessary.

Only a complete ban will protect the whales.

#### How you can help.

In the past, British ministers have supported the ban and strongly condemned the cruelty involved in commercial whaling. We need this support in Glasgow more than ever.

Please write to your MP now stressing your objections to any lifting of the ban. It really will make a difference. Politicians do react to a bulging postbag.

You may also like to attend a whale rally in Glasgow on Sunday, 28th June, the eve of the conference.

If you'd like more information or details of the rally, just send us the coupon below.

Please do something.

If enough of us fire off a letter now we can make sure that the harpoons never strike again.

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# Firm's chiefs deny stealing £13.5m

By CRAIG SETON

A FORMER chief executive and his deputy stole £13.5 million of a public company's money to buy shares in the firm after the stock market crashed in 1987. Wolverhampton Crown Court was

told yesterday. John Ferriday, 47, former head of Eagle Trust, and Richard Smith, 40, an executive director, were alleged to have paid for millions of shares in the company by transferring its money and laundering it through the accounts of firms they set up

Mr Ferriday, of Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands. denies 11 charges of theft. obtaining a £4 million overdraft by deception, furnishing false information and false accounting. Mr Smith, from Telford, Shropshire, denies four charges of theft and obtaining a £4 million overdraft by deception.

Martin Baker, 37, former Eagle Trust finance director. of Sutton Coldfield, denies six charges of theft, false accounting and furnishing false information. Leslie Goodwin, 42, of Eltham.

southeast London, former chairman of Connect Parcels, an Eagle Trust company, denies three charges of theft and furnishing false information.

John Rogers, QC, for the prosecution, said that Stock Market dealings in Eagle Trust shares were suspended in May 1989 over suspected fraud that had made the company insolvent. He said that over 12 months there had been substantial thefts of money and other assets of the company by senior employ-ees. Mr Ferriday and Mr Smith stole £13.5 million to buy Eagle Trust shares for

their own use, helped by Mr

Baker and Mr Goodwin.

Mr Rogers said that in the early 1980s. Mr Ferriday owned two Midlands companies while Mr Smith ran a plumbers' merchants. Their businesses merged into a company supplying the building industry and in 1986 it was involved in a share exchange with Audiotronics. The two men joined the Audiotronics board: it changed its name to Eagle Trust and began acquiring other companies. By 1987, its

shares were worth over 50p and it had over 35,000 shareholders.

Mr Rogers said that in September 1987, Eagle Trust bid for the Samuelson Group, which supplied film equip-ment. It offered six new Eagle Trust shares for each Samuelson share worth £1.80p or cash.

Mr Rogers said that when the stock market crashed, Eagle Trust shares fell to 20p and Samuelson shareholders wanted cash for their shares. Millions of Eagle Trust shares were left to be disposed of by underwriters. Mr Ferriday, as a sub-underwriter, eventually had responsibility for a total of 50 million shares worth £15 million.

Mr Rogers said that he paid £13.5 million for the shares using money that he and Mr Smith transferred out of Eagle Trust and into Connect Parcels. From there it went to a Jersey firm and then into the accounts of a "dormant" company they had earlier registered in Panama. It was then paid to the

The trial continues today.



Al fresco art: the cartoonist Bill Tidy puts the finishing touches to a poster announcing BT's new El million sponsorship of the South Bank Centre's touring exhibitions programmme. The money will support 108 exhibitions to be seen by 1.5 million people

# Teenage inmate 'seemed happy'

By RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

A YOUNG prisoner who hanged himself was not considered a suicide risk in spite of two earlier attempts to kill himself, an inquest was told

The doctor who examined the youth when he arrived at a young offenders' institution said that from medical records the inmate did not seem suicidal. Dr Nahil Candappa told the inquest into the death of Johnny Cash: "I thought he was not suicidal despite being told about an earlier attempt when his brother died. From the medical records it didn't seem that he was suicidal. He

seemed a happy boy."

The jury at Hammersmith Coroners' Court has been told that medical staff at the Young Offenders' Institution, Feltham, west London, were not told that Mr Cash, 18. had tried to slash his wrists at a police station only weeks before he hanged himself from a sheet from his up-

Mr Cash, on remand for burglary, was terrified after being told he was to be transferred to another prison with members of a gang who had beaten him for being a

'grass", the inquest was told. He had been transferred to a strip cell in the segregated wing of the prison for his own safety after telling staff that his cellmate had been beaten by a gang of bullies. An unnamed inmate told John Burton, the coroner, that Mr Cash, from Acton, west London, had hanged himself accidentally to avoid being sent to Rochester prison. The inmate said he did not think it was on Mr Cash's mind to kill himself but he was trying to find a way of not being sent to Rochester and it had gone

wrong.
Mr Cash was found dead a PIS N 35. few days after members of a gang of nine had bloodied his nose because he had told that the gang was stealing from his cell mate. The inmate said: "Other inmates on the unit were ganging round and taking things and they started on Johnny's cell

Once Mr Cash reported the incident to the authorities, he started to get "hassled". The inmate added: "On a couple of occasions he got jumped near the visiting box."

Earlier, the court was told that Ashford hospital ignored an emergency call from an ambulance driver as he tried to resuscitate Mr Cash Tim Wingham said that the hospital had had several hoax calls in the casualty department. He said: "As far as I was aware they did receive the call but they treated it as a hoax. It was a lapse of time that should not have happened, thought the outcome may not

# Witness to crash saw no warning

A MOTORIST who saw a motorway crash in which six people died told a court yesterday that he had seen no signs warning of queuing traffic or roadworks ahead. John Lane said the first he

knew of a traffic build-up was when he saw a lorry driven by Vincent Parsons plough into the tailback at 65 mph.

Mr Lane was giving evidence on the second day of a trial at Birmingham Crown Court, where Mr Parsons, 26, a lorry driver, is facing six charges of causing death by reckless driving. He denies the charges.

The court has been told that Mr Parsons drove straight into a line of stationary traffic on the M42 south of Birmingham at 65mph in November 1990, leaving a trail of carnage. Even though the day was clear and visibility good, he did not even take his foot off the accelerator or swerve to avoid the traffic jam at the sliproad of junction six, Christopher Hotten, for the prosecution, said. He said that Mr Parsons ignored signs along the motorway

warning of roadworks. Mr Lane, a van driver of Northampton, said he had not seen any signs.

The court was also told that Mr Parsons, of Newport, Gwent, was seen running from the scene. Kim Bryan, a lorry driver, said that he was travelling southbound on the motorway in November 1990 when he saw the collision on the opposite carriageway. He said that Mr Parsons, dressed in jeans and a denim shirt, fled from the scene after the crash.

The trial continues today.



Yarwood: took care of distressed tourists

## The Queen praises kindly PC

BY ROBIN YOUNG

POLICE Constable Simon Yarwood was yesterday celebrating receiving a letter of thanks from the Queen, who had a senior member of her staff write to him after learning how he helped two clderly American women after a road accident.

After the tourists' crash on his rural Warwickshire beat in March, PC Yarwood 43, told the car hire firm sorted out insurance details. ferried the ladies' luggage to Shipston on Stour police station in his panda car, had a torn case mended at a saddlery shop, entertained the ladies to tea and biscuits, and escorted them to a

own expense and in his own car to Gatwick airport and stayed with them until they boarded their flight at 5am. The Queen learnt of his gentlemanly conduct when one of the women, safely home in Indiana, wrote to Buckingham Palace in his praise.





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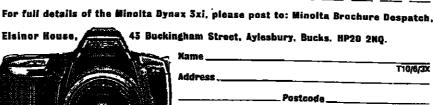
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# BMA seeks end to secrecy over merit pay for consultants

By Jeremy Laurance, health services correspondent

eral managers have been in-

cluded on the committees

since 1989 but there is still "a

perception among consul-

tants that sheer hard work for

the health service does not

qualify for an award". Dr

Chawner said. "If that is so

A better system would allow

all consultants in a region to

put names forward for

awards, he said. Lists of those

in receipt of one would be

available in public libraries

and from health authorities.

tem is outdated. The Trea-

sury described it 30 years ago

as "a blot on the landscape of

public finance", a criticism since echoed by MPs. Private

practice is growing — the 12,000 consultants who do

some work in the private sec-

tor already earn an average

£40,000 a year on top of their

NHS salaries - and NHS trusts are making moves to negotiate salaries locally, so

being boosted in other ways.

But critics believe the sys-

there is room for change.

rounding merit awards, undcan double their NHS salaries, is being sought by the British Medical Association. For the first time since the scheme was introduced more than 40 years ago, the change would give patients the right to know which consultants were receiving the awards, made for distinguished service to the NHS and worth up to £46,500 a year.

Next week's annual consultants' conference of the BMA will debate calls for a fairer and more effective system with clearer criteria for making the awards. Critics com-plain that the awards are made by secret cabals of senior doctors operating on an old boy network Just over a third of consul-

rants hold an award, worth a minimum of £9,970 on top of a full time NHS salary of £48,950. Many also have substantial private earnings. Senior figures within the BMA fear controversy if information about the awards is made public. Patients might be misled into demanding to be seen by con-sultants with the highest awards in the belief that they

would get better treatment. John Chawner, chairman of the consultants' committee, said: "A consultant might have an A award for treating liver disease but that may not be any guide to his competence in coronary disease. I believe in open government, but I want to hear the arguments on both sides."

Dissatisfaction with the awards, made for profession-

among consultants. They NHS was set up to ensure tors kept pace with comparacompensate them for the loss of lucrative private practices. Without them, a doctor aged 40 appointed to a consultant's post would hit an earnings plateau after five years of increments and that would

last until retirement.

awards is unequal. High profile specialties such as cardiothoracic medicine are lavoured over less glamorous ones such as psychogeriatrics. Academics who publish research papers are favoured over workhorses who cut waiting lists and men are favoured over women. Of the 270 consultants holding the top A-plus award, given to those with an international reputation, more than 100 are held by academics in a few specialist hospitals.

Grade	Merit award	No. o award
<del></del>	£9,790	4,10
B	£19,580	1,78
A	234,260	80
A+	246,500	23

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#### NEWS IN BRIEF

## **Butterfly** deaths examined

Claims that up to 1,000 exotic butterflies have been agro-chemical by government wildlife advis-The butterflies, from Thailand, the Philippines and other tropical countries, were found dead in glass-houses at Butterfly World at Fraddam, in Cornwall.

Mark Wiles, owner of Butterfly World, blames pesticide and herbicide spraying of fields of broccoli and daffodils near by for the deaths. He says he has lost nearly 1,000 butterflies this year and believes the spray could have drifted into the glasshouses through ventilators and gaps between overlapping panes.

Gordon Flint, a director of Winchester Bulb Growers, which rents a block of daffodil fields, said there was no evidence that spraying killed the butterflies. All its sprays were applied by skilled opera-tors. Butterfly World was warned in advance of any spraying to give time for ventilators to be closed.

#### Concert switch

Guns 'N' Roses, the rock group, cancelled its concert in Manchester last night after its lead singer, Axl Rose, collapsed from exhaustion. All 30,000 tickets were sold and the concert will now be

Murder charge Four men have been charged with the murder of Ronnie

Penrose at his home in Penrhys, Mid Glamorgan, on Sunday. With a woman, they have also been charged with kidnapping Mr Penrose's 15-year-old son and will appear before Pontypridd magistrates today.

Help for police A witness has come forward

alter a 20-year-old Oxford student appealed for help in catching her rapist. The witness was in a car parked close to the lavatory where the Student was attacked and has given police the names of Other people in the area.

#### Salmon return

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Salmon have returned to the Trent after a break of nearly a century caused by pollution and weir-building. The National Rivers Authority might restock the river.

# Marsh rescue

A teenage girl trapped kneesafety by a helicopter from marshes near Leigh-on-Sea,

al distinction and meritorious service, has been growing were introduced when the that the earnings of top doc-

But the distribution of the

The awards are recom mended by regional commit-tees of consultants and general managers and approved by by Sir Gordon Robson. Gen-



Consultants earn between 237,905 and £48,945 plus

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C B A A+	£9,790 £19,580 £34,260 £46,500	4,102 1,789 802 232

# FOR TARMAC GARBAGE

Affronted: outside the Hyde Park Hotel

## **Protesters** confront Tarmac

By Nicholas Watt

DRESSED in black bin-liners and waving brightly coloured banners, the disgusted of Trent Valley protested outside Tarmac's annual meeting yesterday against the company's plans to lage. As the faithful brigade of shareholders arrived at the Hyde Park Hotel they were greeted by placards warning of dire pollution to the valley if the plans are allowed to go ahead.

Tarmac has been extracting gravel from around the age of Hoveringham near Nottingham since 1946. Under its planning agree-ment, it has to return the land to agricultural use and does that by filling the land with fuel ash pumped from a coal-burning power station near by and laying new top soil. But the supply will run out in the next five years and Tarmac is planning to use industrial or domestic

waste. Gabrielle Fawcett, a founder member of Hoveringham Against Local Tipping (Halt) who lives in the village, is appalled by the plan. The area round the village looks ghastly at the moment and Tarmac will turn Hoveringham into an island by quarrying right round the village, she said.

"They don't need to fill the land with waste and they could create bird sanctuaries or make lakes instead. Tarmac stand to make handsome profits from burying

Jack Mawdsley, chief executive of Tarmac Quarry Products Division, said the company was keen to create lakes and wildlife parks on old quarries. "Our primary interest is in extracting gravel and we are intensely keen on being kind to the environment," he said.



e: campaigners in London yesterday launching the World Wide Fund for Nature's "Pedal for the Planet" money-raising cycle ride from London to Cambridge

# Students spurn May Ball

By MATTHEW D'ANCONA **EDUCATION REPORTER** 

ONE of Cambridge University's most gilded traditions has suffered a blow with the cancellation of Pembroke College's May Ball, which this year failed to attract enough custom after more

than a century of success. Undergraduates, afflicted by the recession or the creeping influence of political correctness, turned their backs on the white-tie ball, due to be held on Tuesday, which needed to sell at least 400 tickets. The organisers are instead mounting a less refund those few members of the Cambridge jeunesse do-rée who have already paid £143 for a double ticket.

Colin Gilbraith, college bursar, said: "It's a shame, but the support, while enthusiastic, was not sufficient to make it financially viable. It is the first time I can remember where organisers have had to cancel a May Ball. which have been running in Cambridge since the last quarter of last century. I think many colleges are hav-ing to adapt the May Balls to changing tastes and

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# Heseltine pleads for welfare of miners

By NICHOLAS WOOD, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

PRIVATISED power bosses must not ignore the welfare of Britain's miners in their negotiations with British Coal. Michael Heseltine said yesterday as he gave a further sign of a more interventionist approach at the trade depart-

ment under his leadership. He reminded National Power, PowerGen and the regional electricity companies that they risked throwing away a national resource by switching for short-term economic reasons to gas and oil. "Remember when you are negotiating these contracts that you are determining the future availability of a national resource for which you will have a longer-term need. Remember also that you are talking about communities of men and women whose lives will be affected," Mr Heseltine told the Union of Democratic Mineworkers'

conference in Weymouth. Mr Heseltine's comments came at a crucial stage in the tough bargaining between British Coal and power bosses in the generators and the regional distributors. The power generators currently



Heseltine: taking an interventionist stance

take 65 million tonnes or 80 per cent of British Coal's output. They are thought to be intent on cutting that figure to around 40 million tonnes. Industry sources estimate that for every million tonnes in lost sales, 1,000 jobs will go and a colliery will close. This would suggest deep cuts in the current tally of 50 pits and 58,000 men. The supply talks have to be concluded by next April when the current

agreements end. British Coal declined to comment on Mr Heseltine's

speech, but sources at the nationalised industry, which is scheduled for privatisation before the next election, privately welcomed his

Mr Heseltine welcomed moves by the UDM to put together a management and employee buyout team to bid for the coal industry and promised that, although the precise formula of the sell-off was not yet decided, workers would be able to enjoy a stake in the future of their industry.

in a fast-developing energy market there is no escaping that reality," he said. "I will not try to hide from you that the final outcome is likely to be a smaller coal industry . . . Mr Heseltine also promised there would be "no compromises" over safety, pensions and concessionary coal.

\*Coal must be competitive:

Frank Dobson, Labour's energy spokesman, said: "Without government action to guarantee that coal mining has a future, for Mr Heseltine to propose that miners get shares in their collieries is like offering the crew of the Titanic shares in their ship."

# Fowler overhauls party machine

By Nicholas Wood

INDEPENDENT manage-By ARTHUR LEATHLEY ment consultants are to be called in by Sir Norman KENNETH Clarke, the Fowler to reorganise Conserhome secretary, yesterday varive Central Office as part underlined his commitment to extending ethnic monitor-ing to reduce racial discrimi-nation in job applications. He insisted, however, that he of a widespread overhaul of the Tory party machine.

Clarke

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while he was employment minister and then as health

secretary. Pledging to contin-ue the practice as home

Roy Hattersley, the shad-ow home secretary, accused the government of "petty tyr-anny" in leading immigra-tion officials to discriminate

against those seeking asylum by enforcing the primary pur-

pose rule. Under the rule,

asylum applicants have to

prove that they have not mar-

ried primarily in order to

An announcement by the newly appointed party chairman is expected within a Mr Clarke repeated his week. The review by a team of opposition to American-style outside experts is expected to contract compliance", unlead to a drastic streamlining der which local or central government would refuse to of the intricate internal structure of Smith Square. It is give contracts to companies likely to accelerate the pace of whose workforce did not rejob losses at Central Office. flect the ethnic make-up of which is already struggling to the local population. Speaking in an opposition debate on ethnic interests. Mr cope with a post-election cut-back of 30 per cent in its budget in an attempt to clear an overdraft of about £10 Clarke said that he had introduced ethnic monitoring

> Central Office has about 25 departments, ostensibly under the control of three fulltime directors. Sir Norman and his team of senior politicians and directors are understood to want to establish simpler lines of communication and management.

Some MPs are likely to view the decision to call in outsiders as a delaying tactic by Sir Norman, who has a reputation as one of Whitehall's most cautious senior figures. However, insiders are portraying it as a shrewd move by Sir Norman, who is said to be well aware that he is treading on sensitive ground by seeking to prune his head office empire.

Sir Norman and his senior managers are understood to have concluded that the system of free-standing departments needs to be fused into a far smaller number of teams working more closely together. Objective evidence that managerial efficiency would be enhanced by such a shakeup would make it easier for the chairman to push through changes.

The management consultants will be expected to report quickly, in time for the party chairman to announce changes ahead of the conference in October.

It is understood that Central Office, which remains short of cash, will be paying only a nominal sum for independent advice. The economy drive launched is intended to produce jobs cuts of about 60 among the head office fulltime staff complement of 175. The outside review is expected to contribute towards achieving this target.



Ministers at play (1): David Mellor, the national heritage secretary, joins in a kickabout yesterday at Covent Garden to launch the Reebok Fives Street Soccer competition

# Major discovers that everybody loves a winner

Senators in Washington were joking on Monday night that they could not assemble on the floor of the Senate for a bill as so many of their number were gathered at the British embassy. A fifth of the Senate had accepted an invitation to

dine with John Major. In a way that few had expected, Mr Major has be-come political big box office. At every meeting, from the President down, the papers on bilateral affairs have been pushed away at some point and he and his American host have got down to what officials call 'a political discussion". Which means that the American leaned forward and asked: "But John, how

did you do it?" The allure of an election winner is a powerful one in Mr Bush's beleaguered administration. Italy has no government, Chancellor Kohl and President Mitterrand are struggling, and Mr Major has become the man to be consulted for the European view.

Where Margaret Thatcher used to visit America for an ideological battery recharge and turn the occasion into a media fest. Mr Major comes more like a senior executive snapping open his brief-case for a six-monthly board meeting. Quiet practicality is his style.

British officials are delighted with the results of his fourth visit. There had been real fears in London that the Americans would go too far in sharing their star wars technology with Boris Yeltsin, so un-dermining the efficacy of the British deterrent.

The prime minister has been promised it will not happen. There were firm pledges, too. from Mr Bush that any attempt by Mr Yeltsin to involve the United States in pressing Britain and France to put their nuclear deterrents into the next arms reduction talks would be referred straight back to Paris and London. The medium term future for Trident has been assured and, with a little more reluctance, the United States has accepted that Britain will continue its nuclear testing programme too.

The sticky bits came on money. Mr Major sought to enlist the president in Herr Kohl's campaign to get the G7 summit next month to commit funds to update and make sale Eastern Europe's ramshackle nuclear power stations. More than 20 use the same technology as Chernobyl.

Mr Major was talking billions of dollars. The Americans, further from the potential fall-out area of any nuclear melidown in Eastern Europe, are al-



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Mr Bush has failed to get Congress to approve a \$12 billion (£6.5 billion) increase in the US account with the IMF to help pay for the \$24 billion aid package for the former Soviet Union before Mr Yeltsin's arrival in Washington on

June 16. The Bush administration and the well dined senators all had the same message for Mr Major when he urged that America should press on with the Freedom Support hill to belo keep Mr Yeltsin on his political reform programme: "It's just not going to happen in an election year."

There was clear nervousness in the British delegation this time around about the stability of the American administration and the apparent readiness of the American people to buy a pig in a poke from a Texan billionaire.

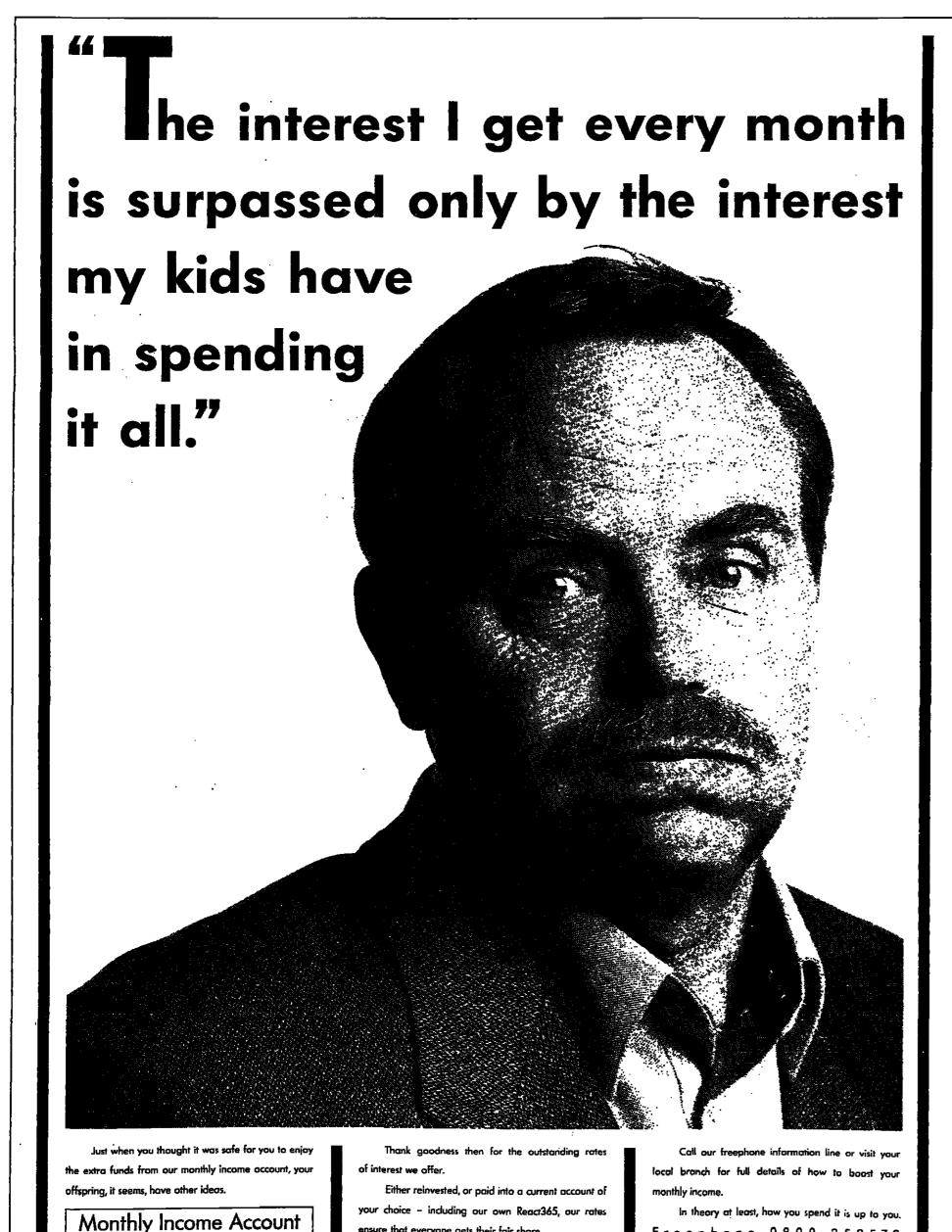
Mr Major believes that President Bush will be reelected and that Ross Perot will fade away to a footnote of history. But that is partly because he and other European leaders regard any prospect of a Perot victory as an unmitigated disaster for what Mr Major likes to call "the only superpower left in the world".

Doing business with America, they fear, would become almost impossible. And foreign affairs every where would be in the melt ing pot if America were led by a man who has said that the bill for keeping the peace of the world can be passed over to Germany and Japan, without any explanation of how they will be persuaded to accept it.

Mr Major has not endorsed the president as openly as Mr Bush endorsed him, and would think it presumptuous to do so. But there is little doubt he is praying fervent ly for the return to office of a man who now says that he does not merely shake his hand as an ally but embraces him as a friend.

Mr Major's breakfast meeting with Dan Quayle, the man who seems to be putting what compl there is in the Bush campaign, overran by an hour putting the rest of the day schedule in jeopardy. That is what happens when you let politicians meet without their civil servants, grunt bled officials.

However. Mr Major did manage to make up enough time on his schedule for he and Norma to go off to Tower Records to boost the Downing Street collection of opera CDs.



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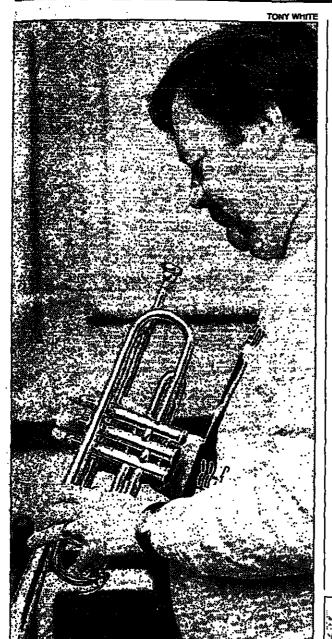
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Ministers at play (2): Kenneth Clarke, the home secretary, warms up for a Radio 2 broadcast on National Music Day, June 28, with other members of the Parliamentarians Jazz Group

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Michael Forsyth, the

would be received by the BBC. He said the situa-

tion at Downing Street

would be mentioned to

the prime minister.

Advice fails

Ministers are giving fresh

thought on how to advise im-migrants, Earl Ferrers.

Home Office minister, said

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Coal subsidy

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## **Auditors** find red tape in a tangle

By Smeila Gunn POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

A WOMAN caring for a disabled person waited nearly two years while her claim for invalid care allowance passed slowly along a bureacratic chain, according to the National Audit Office.

Auditors at the public spending watchdog discovered that the woman's claim. first made on December 1988, went through 29 stages before it was finally paid on September 5, 1990.

The allowance, set at a basic a rate of £31.25 a week, is paid to about 135,000 carers. The National Audit Office examined 200 case files which took between 18 and 436 working days. It found that delays in processing the claims were often caused by adjudication officers contacting the wrong local office, and confusion about the wording on a form about

residency in the UK. Claims for war pensions were also taking an average in 1990/91 of eight or nine months to settle, the auditors'

report said. The high number of ap peals also worried the auditors who reported that some 30 per cent of cases which go to tribunal are decided in the claimants' favour.

Michael Meacher, the shadow social security secretary, said: "For a government that purports to be the enemy of bureaucracy, it is really disgraceful that war pensioners who fought for this country can have their applications shuffled through 30 different in and out trays and take up to two years for a

He criticised ministers for spending millions of pounds on recent advertising campaigns when so many claims were wrongly rejected. "It is the fourth consecutive year that the department's payments have not passed the auditors' scrutiny," Mr

Meacher said.

National Audit Office reports war pensions; mobility, attendance and invalid care allow ances (Stationery Office, £7.80).

Maastricht legislation threatened

# Labour hardens treaty stance

BY PHILIP WEBSTER, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE Labour leadership yesterday appeared to harden its opposition to the reintroduction of the Maastricht treaty legislation, underlining the government's difficulties in getting the ratification bill

through Parliament. As John Smith, who is almost certain to take over the Labour leadership next month, underlined the party's commitment to European economic union in a speech to Labour MEPs in Strasbourg, Roy Hattersley, the deputy leader, made it clear that Labour could only support a bill that included the social chapter. The government, which

now accepts that it may be the end of the year before it is in a position to bring back the Maastricht bill, has no intention of supporting the social

Labour MPs believe that the party is edging to a position where it can eventually vote against the Maastricht bill without compromising the pro-European stance with which Mr Smith is so closely identified. Senior Labour figures believe that it should not

government by abstaining on the treaty bill. "It is our job to oppose. If we can defeat the government with the help of the Tory rebels we should do it," one said.

Mr Hattersley spoke in the Commons after Tony Newton, standing in for John Major, confirmed that the government was considering the addition of a protocol setting out curbs on the European Commission as a way to rescue the treaty. Government sources had earlier given warning of a long haul ahead to find ways of saving the treaty. It was said that it might not be possible to reach an agreement before the Edinburgh summit at the end

The Labour deputy leader swiftly indicated that the protocol was unlikely to be enough to satisfy Labour. He said the time had gone when progress could be made on the Maastricht bill by "contrivance and manipulation. There are many of us on both sides of the House, longstanding enthusiasts for European unity, who will only support progress of a bill

prehensive and includes those parts of the treaties most of benefit to the British people and that specifically includes the social chapter," he said.

Mr Smith's speech in Strasbourg was the strongest pro-European statement by a Labour leader since the Danish referendum result. It pleased Labour MPs who fear that the party's increasingly hardline stance on the Maastricht bill will foster the impression that Labour generally is moving towards a Eurosceptic position. Mr Smith's rival Bryan Gould has taken increasingly hostile line to Brussels.

Mr Smith said Britain was more economically integrated with Europe than ever before and it was a "mirage" to believe there was an alternative go-it-alone policy. In a sideswipe at Mr Gould he said critics of the European exchange rate mechanism overlooked "the fact that interest rate levels in Europe are effectively determined by the German Bundesbank regardless of whether we are

part of the ERM or not." Mr Smith floated the possiment in which the German mark moved up against other European currencies, which could lead to a reduction in German interest rates leading to similar reductions

throughout the community. Mr Smith said the uncertainty about the future of Maastricht in no way invalidated the approach Labour had developed. "There is absolutely no reason to change our support for the goal of economic and monetary union subject to adequate levels of convergence and ac-countability. Whatever happens to the treaty the Labour party and our sister parties in Europe must continue to argue for an economic strategy based on sustainable

> sible levels of employment."
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> Mr Smith attacked the government's "sweat shop mentality" in opposing EC measures extending workers' rights. He called for Labour to make the social dimension of the community a campaigning priority during the forthcoming British presi-dency of the EC and in the run-up to the next European

growth and the highest pos-

48-hour week under fire

By Sheila Gunn POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

GILLIAN Shephard, the employment secretary, is prepared to challenge EC moves to impose a 48-hour working week in the European Court unless a compromise is reached this month.

With little prospect of the commission dropping its proposal she is examining the basis for a legal challenge against the EC's attempt to push through the time limit as a health and safety issue. She embarks tomorrow on a two-week round of talks with social affairs ministers throughout the community to make clear that she has hardened her stance against a blanker ban on working more than 48 hours a week. A meeting with her French counterpart. Martine Aubry, in Paris is pencilled in for tomorrow evening. followed by talks in Germany and Luxembourg.

Confusion over the late of the Maastricht treaty, and more vocal scepticism within Conservative ranks, appears to have strengthened



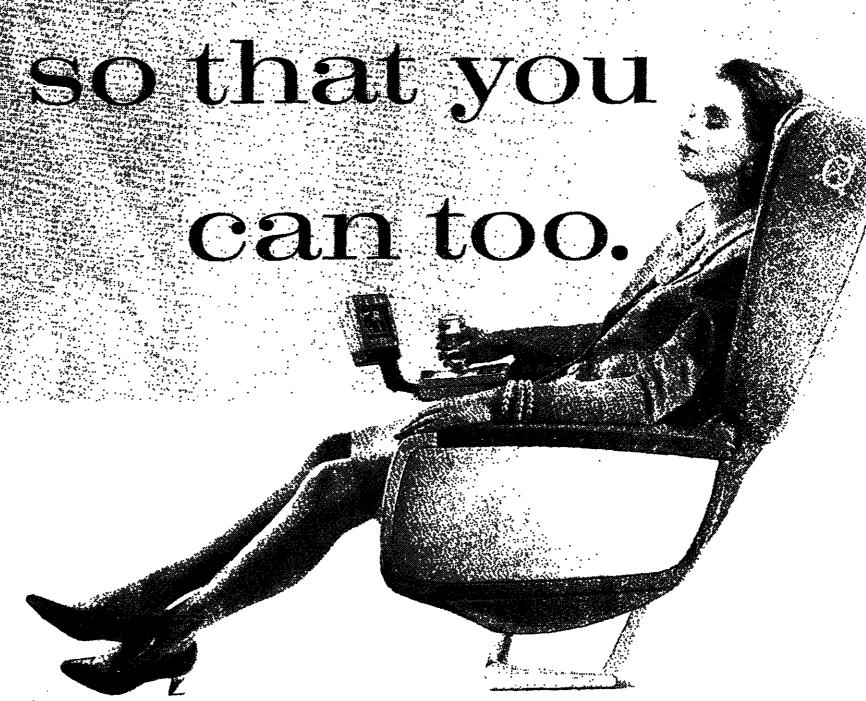
Shephard: prepared to challenge the EC

Mrs Shephard's hand in taking a stand against the directive in the final negotiations at the June 24 EC social affairs council. Ministers argue that the restriction would cost Britain £3.5 billion and cut the overtime payments of more than two million workers.

In the Commons vesterday, Mrs Shephard told MPs: "We have made clear that the damaging working time directive is unneces-sary, unjustified and brought forward on a total-ly unjustifiable grounds of health and safety measure." The decision of Vasso Papandreou, the EC er, to bring in the directive under the heading of health and safety removes Britain's right to veto the

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## By Shella Gunn, political correspondent CIVIL servants are being of-

Lure for civil servants

fered an unprecedented package of help with housing costs by the Treasury in exchange for moving to London's Docklands.

The scheme, which could encourage the 2,000 Whitehall civil servants to make the move, recognises the stagnant housing market.

Stephen Dorrell, financial secretary to the Treasury, announced in the Commons yesterday a range of loans for relocated civil servants who have problems selling their nomes. If the sale price does mandarins will be entitled to a loan at commercial rates of interest. "Departments and agencies will also, in particularly difficult cases, be free to offer advances of salary to meet mortgage shortfalls on the same terms as the advances of salary offered to meet bridging loan short-falls," he added.

Michael Portillo, the chief secretary to the Treasury, has made clear to cabinet colleagues that cost-cutting exercises could earn them more sympathetic treatment in the current public spending service all the way.

# Crash enquiry censures BR for delayed drug test



Maurice Graham: not told of test appointments

The coroner's inquest into the Cannon Street accident lacked vital evidence about the driver, **Michael Dynes** reports

BRITISH Rail is expecting to face heavy criticism for its failure to carry out a medical examination immediately after a driver crashed his train into the buffers at Cannon Street station when the Health and Safety Executive publishes its report on the accident later this year.

A three-day delay after the accident on January 8, 1991, in which two people died and 542 were injured, meant that potentially vital information on the physical condition of the driver could not be used in evidence during last year's coroner's inquest into the causes of the two deaths.

During the inquest, Dr Alex Ormerod, the medical officer for BR's Southern Region, said that a urine sample from Maurice Graham, the train driver, had been tested by the poisons department at Guy's Hospital, south London, and had indicated "an active use of cannabis". Because of the delay in carrying out the examination, however, it was not possible to say whether the drug was present at the time of the accident.

There was no evidence to suggest that Mr Graham avoided submitting to a medical examination. He did not keep the first two appointments made for January 8 and 9 because BR failed to notify him of them, the inquest was told.

After the coroner's ruling, BR announced that it would introduce routine drug and alcohol testing for applicants for safety-related jobs "as an essential first step to avoid employing people who are drug abusers". Subsequent changes in the law made it mandatory for BR to carry out medical examinations after all train accidents, while procedures designed to ensure staff were fit for work were tightened.

BR is also expected to be sharply criticised for its failure to protect vital evidence by sealing the driver's cab immediately after the accident. During the Health and Safety Executive's investigation, conflicting evidence was given about the position of the driver's controls, raising the possibility that someone might have entered the cab and tampered with the evidence.

Had the antiquated Network SouthEast rolling stock been fitted with black box data recorders, accident investigators would have been able to identify whether and when the brakes were applied. The data recorders, which are fitted as standard to all new trains, are now being put in older rolling stock.

The report will also pass judgment on a series of issues which attracted widespread press comment in the after-



Crash aftermath: design flaws on the Sevenoaks train might have contributed to the injuries

math of the crash, including the age and design of the 1950s slam door rolling stock, the speed of the train as it crashed into the buffers, and how these factors contributed to the extraordinarily high number of injuries.

During the investigation. it was disclosed that when the Sevenoaks commuter train was built in the 1950s, some of the subframes used might have dated from the 1920s. The age and weight of the subframes was seen by some observers as a factor contributing to the high number of casualties, al-

though that theory was dismissed by Malcolm Rifkind, the former transport secretary.

However, the interior design of the carriages, particularly the lateral luggage racks, which are perched directly above passengers' seats rather than along the carriage walls, is expected to be singled out as the main cause of the high number of facial injuries. Of the 841 passengers on the train, 542 were injured, of whom 277 were injured, of whom 277 were treated in hospital, with 33 detained for one night or more.

Verdicts of accidental death were recorded on Martin Strivens, aged 24, a computer programmer from Petts Wood in Kent, and Parricia McCay, aged 59, a shop assistant from Forest Hill in south London, both of whom died from injuries sus-

tained in the crash.

Despite widespread criticism over the use of such antiquated rolling stock, the executive's report is unlikely to call on BR to accelerate the withdrawal of the 1950s carriages. Such a recommendation would effectively force BR to withdraw antiquated

rolling stock before the new fleet of Networker trains is delivered. The first of the new trains is expected to come into operation in October, although the entire fleet is not expected to be in service until the mid-1990s.

Finally, although the coroner calculated that the Sevenoaks train hit the Cannon Street buffers at approximately four miles per hour, it is thought that the Cannon Street report will vindicate BR's calculation that the train was actually travelling at somewhere between eight and 13mph.

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# Hurd stops guard's job appeal

DOUGLAS Hurd, the foreign secretary, has halted a
claim of unfair dismissal by a
diplomatic guard. Stephen
Richards, counsel for the Foreign Office, told a west
London industrial tribunal
yesterday that the case could
not go ahead because Mr
Hurd had signed a certificate
under the national security
provisions of the Employment Protection Act.

Mr Richards said that Mr Hurd had done so because the guard was dismissed "in the interests of national security. Therefore there is a jurisdictional bar on this matter being tried and therefore the tribunal are bound to dismiss the application."

dismiss the application."
David Vidler, 50, who lost his job in January after his security clearance was withdrawn, was told by a panel member: "The iron fist has come down."

After the hearing, Mr Vidler, of Hastings, east Sussex, accused the government of being scared of losing the case. He said that he had lost his security clearance after a minor incident at work.

Keith Wylie. negotiations officer for the National Union of Civil and Public Servants, representing Mr Vidler, told the tribunal that he was "quite disturbed", not only because the certificate had been issued but also because it had been produced at such a late stage.

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Giles Flint, the tribunal chairman, said: "The certificate says it is mandatory to dismiss without further enquiry. We just have to accept the minister has seen the papers and decided for reasons of national security that the case cannot be heard.

"if you wish to complain about this, there may be other channels. parliamentary questions or something like that, as to why this certificate has been issued."

NEWS IN BRIEF

# Four years for killer of father

A son who shot dead his bullying father was jailed for four years yesterday. Clifford Newton. 45, killed his father Bernard at a meeting to discuss the running of the family's casino and nightclub empire. Nottingham Crown Court was told.

Newton was terrified of his 67-year-old father and thought he had a handgun and was going to kill him when he arrived at his house in Irby. Humberside. The defence said that Newton had suffered at the hands of his father since childhood and that his first wife had committed suicide because of harassment from him.

Newton pleaded guilty to manslaughter on the grounds of diminished responsibility and his plea of not guilty to murder was accepted. Mr Justice Judge said that he accepted the father was a tyrannical sadist.

#### Silent protest

Four Welsh Language Society members refused to plead at Llandudno magistrates' court to charges of causing criminal damage by daubing slogans on A55 tunnels. The cases were adjourned until dates in July and August.

# Gold deposit A Norwich shopper short of cash had to hand over a

cash had to hand over a watch and a gold tooth as collateral with a £50 cheque before National Parking Control, a wheelclamping firm, allowed her to drive away.

#### Island death

Geoff Lyons, 32, a BBC sound engineer from Cardiff, died in a hit and run accident on the Greek island of Rhodes. Police have questioned a local man.

# Child care enquiry condemned as farce

By Kerry Gill

THE longest enquiry to be held in Britain was described as a multi-million pound "ludierous farce" yesterday when it emerged that publication had overrun a government deadline and that the results may

never be made public.
The enquiry into social work policy in Fife was ordered by Malcolm Rifkind, then Scottish secretary, early in 1989. It was expected to have been ready after about three months.

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More than three years later the report, said to run to 1,500 pages, has yet to be published despite final evidence being heard in the spring of last year. It has taken longer than enquiries and reports into the Piper Alpha and Hillsborough disasters.

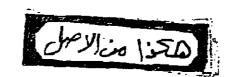
Little is known about the enquiry, conducted by Sher-

iff Brian Kearney behind closed doors, except that it was ordered to look into allegations that children remained in danger because of Fife's policy to let children at risk be looked after within the community rather than be placed into care.

er than be placed into care. Yesterday Henry McLeish, Labour MP for Fife Central, called the enquiry the "longest running farce" and said it still showed little sign of coming to a conclusion. He was at a loss to describe the "confusion and incompetence" in the Scottish Office.

Having cost so much and taken so long it is believed that publication may be an embarrassment. It is thought that few, if any, deficiencies were found in the running of Fife's social work department to justify holding an enquiry at all.

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# prepares to cast UK in villain's role

FROM MICHAEL MCCARTHY IN RIO DE JANEIRO

BRITAIN may appear today on an accusatory list of the five worst countries at the Earth summit in Rio de Janeiro, compiled by the hundreds of environmental pressure groups attending the conference as observers.

The United Kingdom's allegedly obstructive stance in the negotiations over new aid for the Third World, and for a new body to monitor world environmental progress after Rio, makes Britain a strong candidate to appear in the list, two of its organisers. Dag Hareide, of Friends of Earth, Norway, and Cliff Curtis, of Greenpeace, said.

Britain has been one of the most obstructive nations in



trying to find a compromise with the developing countries over finance." Mr Hareide said. Mr Curtis said that Britain had been at the "obstructive end of the spectrum" in talks on a UN sustainable development commission proposed as a follow-up to the

Rio conference. A preliminary list of Earth summit "villains" had already been published, headed by the United States, with Saudi Arabia, Japan, MalayLIST OF OFFENDERS

Atomic Energy Agency fol-lowing. The final list will be announced this afternoon. America has been chosen as chief villain — "unanimously and without debate" - for its destructive role in the summit's two important treaties. on wildlife and climate change, the first of which America has refused to sign and the second of which it has watered down.

Saudi Arabia is characterised as a villain for trying to remove references to renewable energy from the summit agenda. Japan is accused of hiding behind the back of the United States. Malaysia is charged with jeopardising agreement on world forests and the International Atomic Energy Agency, whose director, Hans Blix spoke to the conference praising atomic energy as the solution to global warming.

• Boston: Nuclear power should be high on the list of potential solutions to global warming being considered at the summit, delegates at a nuclear conference here said on Monday (AP reports).

"We have to do something to phase out the burning of coal and petroleum," Caroline Heising, professor of engineering at Northeastern University, said. She was among hundreds of scientists, including a delegation from Russia, at the annual meeting of the American Nuclear Society to discuss nuclear energy's future.

Paul Tsongas, the former Massachusetts senator, told the meeting that nuclear power may be the most environmentally sound source of

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Environmental protection: armed Brazilian soldiers stand guard near the entrance to the Rio de Janeiro convention centre, where more than 100 world leaders will gather for the Earth summit this week, as part of stepped-up security in the city

# Women's touch saves Himalayas forest

around Tangsa village was stripped bare for miles around. Today it is surrounded by forest, a result of the world's biggest, most success-

A huge area of the central Himalayas is being returned to forest by village women whose lives depend on trees. Twice a year hundreds of

women plant huge numbers

of saplings on barren slopes, helping to reverse the ravages

of decades of felling. Sateshwar Tiwari, 43, a Tangsa villager, said she used to spend most of her time walking to find trees for fodder and fuel. Now the trees are growing in the village itself. "We decide among ourselves which trees can be cut for firewood and which can be used for fodder." she said. There is constant replanting. We are able to keep more cattle because it is easier to

The self-help movement is called Chipko, which means "hug" and takes its name from a village protest when people hugged trees to stop felling. It extends directly into about 70 villages, but the philosophy has spread through a large area of the Himalayas and several re-

self-help. "The worst of the devastation of the Himalayas has stopped," says Chandiprasad Bhatt, a leading Chipko activist. "We are confident that where the soil still exists we can return the land to forest. There is great awareness

was wrong."

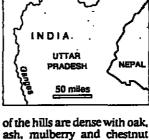
Women in northern India are applying Gandhian concepts of self-help to plant bare slopes with new trees, writes Christopher Thomas from Tangsa

Broader issues are now included, such as women's rights, caste prejudice and birth control. This has brought something of a social revolution. In Tangsa, the Dalits (Untouchables) eat with Brahmins, much to the shock of visitors from other areas of the country. Women are treated more as equals and are largely responsible for control of the forests.

Chakradhar Tiwari, headman of Tangsa and four adjoining villages, said govern-ment tree-planting projects usually failed because they did not involve the local people. "When trees are planted by the villagers they are properly maintained," he said. "What we need is for the government to supply the resources and leave the rest to us. They always like to impose themselves on us, which does not work. Our aim is to reestablish the link between man and nature."

Mr Tiwari added: "We plant trees which multiply themselves into forests, and they in turn keep us alive." Chipko has a loose central

structure, so that its main thrust remains at local level. It has won a string of awards, providing much of the funding for its work. The movement operates three nurseries and buys saplings from outside. Around Gopeshwar in the Alaknanda valley, many



ash, mulberry and chestnut trees, as well as fruit orchards.

The movement began in 1973 when loggers moved in to remove the Mandal forest in the valley. The slogan of "Hugging the Himalayas" was born out of the protest, which saved all but 10 per cent of the forest. Between 1975 and 1980 the movement planted 1.2 million trees. After that, it stopped

counting.
Throughout the Alakna-

the movement's success. Where the government's sole conservation department has planted trees the hills are still barren: where Chipko activists have done the job, almost all the saplings have survived. watered regularly by village women. Cattle grazing, one of the most destructive practices in the Himalayan foothills. is controlled in villages where Chipko is active. One of the most expensive aspects of reforestation is construction of protective walls to keep cattle

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Villages like Tangsa punish people who do not look after trees. "Anybody taking wood or chopping trees without permission is given a warn-ing," Mr Tiwari said. "If they persist, they are socially ostracised, initially for a month. That means nobody will talk to them, eat with them, or work with them. That usually does the trick."

## **Tropical** felling increases

Rio de Janeiro: The destriction of tropical foresis in creased by 50 per cent during the past decade, according to a United Nations study released yesterday.

The Food and Agriculture Organisation report says that about 41.7 million acres of forest were destroyed last year, compared with 27.9 million acres in 1980. About 70 per cent of deforesta takes place in rainforests world has 12.25 billion of forests, but the amission destroyed annually excess the amount that is replanted.

"The latest statistics confirm the alarming tendency of recent years," said Hollis Murphy, of the FAO. "[There is an urgent need for improved conservation, management and sustainable use 1988 of forest resources."

The United States has proposed increasing its aid for saving rainforests by \$150 at 140 million (E82 million). The ini tiative has been slowed as poorer nations want to control how the money is spent Half of Latin America is covered by forests, as is 33 per cent of Asia and 27 per cent of Africa. (AP)

#### Coral threat

St. Petersburg: Ozone depletion and a hot summer may lead to widespread coral bleaching in the Florida Keys and the Caribbean, according to a University of South Pamela Hallock-Muller. [AP]

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Nairobi: President Moi issued Kenya's first-ever appeal for aid to feed drought vie, Used 🗀 🗀 tims and cope with the influ of about 460,000 refugees from Somalia. Ethiopia and the Sudan. Thousands more

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Tokyo: A Japanese bom U al Institute for Environmen and Development in London Whatevall Lines Con won Asahi Glass Foundation awards for their contribution to solving environments problems. (AP)

Rhino appeal

Harare: Wildlife groups as Will 00005. them save rhinos from extin tion by sawing off their hom before poachers kill themen YOU Die the First The horn is put into high price alleged aphrodisiaes the Far East. (Reuter)

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Portland: Sales of timbe from some of Oregon's old growth forests could be de Alternative, Call layed for a year after a judge ordered the US Bureau o Land Management to study the effect of logging on the All in northern spotted owl. (AP)

## treaty 'meaningless' By Nigel Hawkes, science editor cheating by nations that fail

**Lack of checks leaves** 

THE climate convention due to be signed in Rio de Janeiro this week will be meaningless because it lacks any means of verification, according to a report published today by the University of Bradford.

The convention is an attempt to reduce the amounts of global warming gases.

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such as carbon dioxide, released by industry, power stations, forestry, agriculture and other sources. But the authors of the report, Julian Salt, Owen Greene and John Lanchbery, say that without effective methods for policing the convention it will remain a hollow framework, allowing to meet their commitments. Without effective verifica-

to the greenhouse effect. The authors suggest a variety of verification methods. including measuring the shrinkage of forests by satellite imagery. They say that written into the convention now it may prove difficult to incorporate them later.

tion measures or structures, any commitments agreed to are essentially meaningless," the report says. "Their imple-mentation will depend entirely on the good will of the state in question." Without help, some states will lack the ability even to monitor their production of gases contributing

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Chipko organises regular "camps" at which villagers are educated on conservation.

# British mechanic keeps Major on the road

FROM MAC MARGOLIS IN RIO DE JANEIRO

ONE day early this year Brian Brown decided he had had enough of Brazil. The British marine-engineer-turned-carmechanic was fed up with inflation and erratic supplies, and especially with paying off the long queue of inspectors who live off the work of honest

working people here. So he and his wife, Patricia, decided to roll down the steel doors of their garage, pile into their aging beige Ford Belina, and say goodbye to Brazil, their home for the past eight and a half years. But one day late last month the telephone rang. It was a man from the British consulate. He was desperate. John Ma-

resswoman, or Ann Richards,

the Texas governor. Given

Mr Clinton's dubious person-

al history, however, Ms Richards' past alcoholism would

jor was flying down to Rio for the Earth summit and he needed safe transport.

That posed a problem. In placid Brazil, where terrorism is mostly an item on the evening news, diplomats long ago dispensed with rolling fortresses. Then again, prime ministers do not ride in just any vehicle. So the consulate cast about for an import. They found a Jaguar — V-12 engine, inch-thick bulletproof windows, and electronic bomb detectors. It came by ship from Georgetown, the capital of the former British territory of Guyana, where politics are more bracing.
On May 25, the racing green Daimler Jaguar Sovereign with bad windscreens and squeaky brakes rolled up to Mr Brown's garage. Mr Brown rolled up the garage door again, called back the mechanics and put off his drive into the sunset. "God

and the Union Jack, and all that." he muttered. It was a rush job but might not have been so bad had Mr Brown not fallen off a step ladder days earlier, fracturing his left wrist. Fine tuning a Jag while in a sling and cast is no joke. The next problem was getting the car up on his lift. A Jaguar, without armour, weighs a little over a tonne. Mr Major's tipped the

scales at 2,600 kilograms, 100 more than the capacity of his lift. "Had the bloody thing up and down four times," Mr Brown grumbled. Two crates of parts came with the Jaguar, containing

new windscreens and sundry accessories. Mr Brown and his crew fitted the new windscreens and repaired a faulty bomb decrector. He also replaced the flagpole that "some bright soul" had stuck

on with superglue.
"I hope Mr Major appreciates this," Mr Brown said as he watched his four mechanics lovingly massage a third can of polish on to the racing green Jaguar.

# **Morally straight Boy Scouts**

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN NEW YORK

Last month Levi Strauss

cial support for the Boy

This represents a loss of between \$40,000 and \$80.000 (£21.800 and £43,600) a year to the scouts - a comparatively small sum, but a worrying precedent for the national organisation. The Boy Scouts receive about \$300 million annually from a variety of corporate and indi-

to the scouts. Wells Fargo and the Bank of America have also stopped dona-tions to the scouts in opposition to its discriminatory policies. The scouting movement responded last week by at-

tacking its former corporate sponsors and emphasising its continued adherence basic American beliefs. 'Our values are not for sale," Blake Lewis, national spokesman for the scouts,

Many decry what is seen to be an attack on American family values

said. The scout oath requires members to keep themselves "physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight" as part of their duty to God and the United States.

The action by Levi Strauss, the largest clothing manufacturer in the world, with sales last year of \$4.9 billion, was followed immediately by a defence of scouting morality and clean-living American family values in general. The Rev Donald Wildmon, a

ily Association, called for a boycott of all Levi products. The fact that they would penalise the Boy Scouts for refusing to accept openly practising homosexuals as scoutmasters shows they no longer want the business of the majority of Americans. The scouts have called on their supporters to notify them, or Levi Strauss, of

their feelings. Letters have been appearing in newspir pers decrying what is seen as the latest assault on American family values and calling on readers to boycott the traditional 501 jeans for the company's boycotting of traditional values".

This emotive issue is a most entirely hypothed cal because the scoular mit that there is 100 T corded case of a deel homosexual applying to join their ranks.

Further, although Levi Strauss has pointed to its own values as the basis for the decision, its opponer argue that more cynically commercial motives under ly the move. A recent merketing survey in Chicago concluded that three in four homosexual men prefer Levi's jeans.

# Big hunt starts for running mates Pelosi, a Californian con-gresswoman, Patricia Schroeder, Colorado cong-

"veepstakes" have begun. Washington's pontificators have launched into a riot of speculation about presidential running mates. One scenario has Ross Perot picking Norman Schwarzkopf and panicking President Bush into swapping Dan Quayle for the Gulf war's other hero. Colin Powell. That would as-sume General Powell had not been collared by Bill Clinton, the Democratic candidate. Realistically. General

Schwarzkopf is too busy cashing in on Operation Desert Storm - although the Peroi camp has approached him while General Powell, suspected of being a covert Democrat, will bide his time at the Pentagon until 1996. The choices of Mr Perot and Mr Clinton will nevertheless have a critical impact on voter perceptions in the most volatile presidential election of mod-

A Washington Post poll yesterday showed the Texas billionaire leading Mr Bush by 36 per cent to 30, with Mr Clinton on 26. Mr Bush's approval rating was just 35 per cent. A record \$3 per cent said America was "on the

wrong track". Mr Perot needs a running mate of national stature to enhance his credibility, not an "empty suit for funerals". Ed Rollins, the Republican strategist who joined Mr Perot last week, is said to be working on Jack Kemp, Mr

The race is on for the US candidates to choose their political partners, Martin Fletcher writes from Washington

Bush's innovative housing secretary, whose defection would stun his party. Publicly. Mr Kemp dismisses the idea, but one of his policy advisers has just switched and his "empowerment" agenda has been ignored by Mr Bush - "everything I say goes down a black hole".

The Texas tycoon has been interested in Jeane Kirkpatrick, President Reagan's outspoken United Nations ambassador, but her boastful angling may have deterred him: "I agree with whoever thinks Perot and I can be a great team ... I definitely know more than he does

about foreign affairs." Warren Rudman, the New Hampshire Republican who is leaving the Senate in disgust at Washington's legislative paralysis, would have been perfect, but ruled himself out when he learned Mr Perot had a private investigator checking him. Other possibilities include



Lowell Weicker. Connecticut's independent governor, Peter Ueberroth, the Los Angeles Olympics supremo now heading the post-riots "Re-build LA" effort, and Ann McLaughlin, President Reagan's labour secretary. Mr Perot's wife, Margot, wants a woman but has limited influence. She has admitted her husband failed to tell her of

his presidential ambitions. In a normal year Mr Clinton, a provincial state governor, would plump for a Washington politician with foreign policy expertise able to deliver a key state or region where he was weak. This year the Arkansas governor requires a bold, eye-catching choice to win back media attention and bolster his claim to be the candidate of change.

His team has contemplated

either a non-politician like

General Powell or, with fe-

male congressional candi-

them, someone like Nancy

sweeping all before

count against her. Raymond Flynn, the mayor of Boston, is possible. The more Bill Bradley, New Jer-sey's thoughful senator and former basketball star, rules himself out, the more pundits Umpteen senators have been suggested, including West Virginia's Jay Rockefel-ler, Tennessee's Al Gore, Colorado's Tim Wirth, Florida's

Bob Graham, Paul Simon of Illinois and, intriguingly, Harris Wofford, the rank outsider whose Pennsylvania byelection victory last autumn started the White House rot. Richmond: About 17,000 names of Ross Perot's backers disappeared from a computer file over the weekend, but officials said yesterday it was an apparent lapse by a volun-teer and not foul play. Campaign officials said

names of Perot supporters were wiped out from a computer in Mr Perot's Virginia headquarters, but the names were not lost since they were also stored on a back-up sys-tem. At first, Perot officials suspected there had been a break-in and police were notified. (Reuter)

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# Strategic arms cuts look likely

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

AMERICA and Russia appeared close to agreeing deep new cuts in their strategic nuclear arsenals yesterday after two days of talks be-tween James Baker, the American Secretary of State, and Andrei Kozyrev, his Russian counterpart.

Mr Kozvrev expressed confidence that an accord would be ready in time for President Bush's first official summit with President Yeltsin in Washington next week. Both the leaders are facing severe domestic problems and want to boost their standings with a new initiative on disarmament.

Mr Baker said that there "substantial common ground" on a second initiative which the two presidents hope to advance next week including Russian participation in an international earlywarning system against ballistic missiles. Britain and France have expressed concern that this could undermine their nuclear deterrents.

Mr Baker said both sides were fully agreed on the need to more extensive cuts in strategic nuclear weapons than was envisaged by the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (Start) signed last year.

# shrug off Levi's dollar boycott

Methodist minister and

The issue of homosexuality has set at odds two of America's most powerful institutions: Levi Strauss, manufacturers of the world's most popular jeans, and America's four million morally straight" Boy

and Co announced that it had decided to end its finan-Scouts of America because of the organisation's decision to ban gay scouts and scoutmasters. The exclusion of homosexuals and atheists, the company said, was contrary to its values which "cannot fund any organis-ation that discriminates on the basis of sexual orientation or religious belief".

vidual donors.

Levi Strauss's action came after a decision by the United Way of San Francisco (one arm of America's biggest charity) to end its \$1 million annual contribution

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# Milosevic told to quit as Sarajevo faces starvation

FROM DESSA TREVISAN AND BILL FROST IN BELGRADE

FIGHTING between Serb militiamen and Muslim forces continued across Bosnia-Herzegovina yesterday as sharply on President Milosevic of Serbia, with demands

for his resignation.
Serbs said they had beaten
off a fierce offensive by Sarajevo's defenders, but Muslim spokesmen insisted that they had captured three gun em-The Serbs said they had lost 18 men in Monday's fighting while the Muslims had suffered "hundreds of fatalities". For their part, the Muslims said Serb losses had been "very heavy" and their own "light". The shelling of Sarajevo continued yesterday, al-though with less intensity than on Monday.

While the clashes continue, the people of Sarajevo are slowly starving to death. With little electricity, less water and

only flour and nettles to eat, malnutrition is becoming as great a threat as the Serb bombardments. Fighting also affected

Tuzla, a Muslim enclave in northeastern Bosnia now encircled by Serb artillery. There is alarm that a giant chemical plant in the town may soon be hit by a stray The factory complex produces a number of toxic chemicals which, if mixed, could release a deadly cloud of furnes. The American State Department is said to be "extremely worried" over the possibility of a environmental disaster which would also affect other Balkan countries.

Adem Tucakovic, managing director of the plant, said: "If we are hit there will be another Bhopal. There is chlorine in store along with sulphuric acid, mercury and nitrites." He added: "A direct hit would release a cloud that

COMMENTARY

# Hurd clears way to rewrite Maastricht treaty's sacred text

FROM GEORGE BROCK IN LUXEMBOURG

As Jacques Delors trotted into yesterday's meeting of EC finance ministers here, he was asked his opinion of the Foreign Office's latest thinking on salvaging the Maastricht treaty. Would he favour returning Brussels' powers to nation states? "I have always believed in subsidiarity," the EC Commission president replied.

That claim is half true but meaningless. M Delors has indeed been talking for several months about Brussels shedding some of the Commission's most outlandish probings into the lifestyles of individual countries. But this attempt to off-load time-wasting administration has two objects. The first is to soothe the bitterest conflicts that have erupted over Commission legislation on condoms and carrots, and the second is to leave Eurocrats freer to concentrate on the larger new responsibilities in monetary Maastricht treaty plans to give them. Power would not

be surrendered. "Subsidiarity" is supposed to be about the distribution of power: M Delors can endorse the word safely since nobody agrees what it means in practice. No ministers or officials here yesterday thought that a few sentences on subsidiarity would rescue the treaty. "We cannot change the results of the referendum by a declaration." Anders Fogh Rasmus-sen, the Danish finance minister, said.

One of M Delors's aides explained recently to me how the Commission president might interpret his new enthusiasm for subsidiarity.

Cases alleging breaches of EC environmental laws have multiplied by ten since 1985, she said. Many of the defendants in these cases are not national governments but lesser public authorities or public companies. Could not this enforcement work be transferred to the national authorities? This is subsid-

iarity, Delors style. Each new EC treaty is an experiment. The Maastricht text includes a clause setting out the principle of sub-sidiarity. No minister of any government can have much idea about whether the words will have any effect. EC treaty clauses on social and environmental policy regularly promise that no measure will harm the interests of small and medium-size companies. No small company has yet found a way of making that protec-

If the British government, while holding the EC presidency this autumn, attaches a subsidiarity "declaration" to the treaty, it would be a shot in the dark and probably ineffectual. A treaty declaration has no binding force. To override what is already in the treaty, new wording would have to be inserted into the body of the text.

In the cliché on every pair of lips here and in Brussels. that would open a "Pandora's box" of other requests for Hurd's more elegant words. the Community would be "back in the maelstrom" of treaty talks. Nobody as experienced as Mr Hurd could believe that appending a few new sentences to the treaty could change the Danish reiection. He must have a deeper purpose. He is firing the opening shots of a barrage of ideas designed to soften up resistance to altering the treaty more drastically.

That solution may look glaringly obvious at Westminster, but is far from plain on the Continent. In Brussels it is still not politically correct to argue for altering the sacred text of the treaty. Most governments are committed to pretending that the Danish

referendum never happened. But Mr Hurd must assume that by early autumn that pretence will have worn thin. The treaty will be dead bevond recall unless ratification is restarted in Britain. Mr Hurd knows that the threats of a smaller, purer federalist community are empty. His early moves suggest that he knows what he is not yet ready to say — that the treaty text is not sacrosanct and will have to be rewritten.

would immediately kill every second person within a tenkilometre (six-mile) radius. Subsequent atmospheric pollution would spread as far as Romania, Hungary and even Austria.

in Belgrade yesterday, Depos, an association made up of opposition parties, academics and trade unionists, called on President Milosevic to resign. The group, which has already formed a govern-ment-in-waiting, announced a mass protest rally for later in the month if the Serbian leader failed to go now.

An open letter to President Milosevic said: "Your time is up, and it is up to you to go, along with your counsellors and your generals. Not only for you personally, but for the whole of Serbia and for all Serbs, it is best that you step down and leave with as much dignity as possible."

Professors at Belgrade University have added their weight to the campaign. The dons, who until several months ago slavishly supported the Serb leadership, have been joined by their students who today are beginning a boycott of lectures in protest at Mr Milosevic's unwillingness to step down.

However, Vladislav Jovanovic, the Yugoslav foreign minister, told an Italian newspaper that there would be no bargaining with the opposition. Should the campaign against the president escalate, the government would "show its teeth", he added.

As sanctions against the rump of Yugoslavia continue, petrol rationing was intro-duced yesterday, to the anger and despair of drivers. Taxi drivers in Belgrade went on strike in protest. One said:
"We are entitled to just a couple of hundred litres a month now, private cars get just 30 litres. Soon there will be nothing left on the streets

except army vehicles."
Hundreds of lorries are stalled at Bulgarian and Romanian border crossings over the Danube as a result of



the sanctions, Bulgarian customs officials said. War in the republic of Croatia had already forced traffic that normally used Yugoslav routes to the Middle East to go via Hungary. Now the embargo on Serbia is diverting the flow further east, via Romania and Bulgaria.

Police said that lorry drivers at Russe and Vidin were waiting for two or three days to cross the border. They forecast delays of up to ten days as the bottleneck gets worse.

· Cairo: Amr Moussa, the Egyptian foreign minister, said Islamic countries would consider military intervention in Bosnia-Herzegovina if the United Nations failed to end

the bloodshed. Mr Moussa said he and his olleagues would discuss the UN resolutions intended to bring peace at the two-day meeting of the Islamic Conference in Turkey, starting a week today. Mr Moussa said that if UN efforts failed to forge a ceasefire, "some countries will request taking military procedures to end the aggression".

# **Money matters dominate** Czech-Slovak divorce

Fruits of charity: Yusuf Islam, the former pop singer Cat Stevens who converted to Islam and is chairman of a Muslim aid organisation, sharing cherries with Muslim defenders near Derventa in Bosnia-Herzegovina yesterday. He is reportedly intending to assist local children

> IF Czechs and Slovaks go ahead with their divorce, how will the economy be divided? That question is at the heart of negotiations between

> Prague and Bratislava.
> Vladimir Meciar, leader of the Movement for Democratic Slovakia, wants complete control over the Slovak economy. Vaclav Klaus of the Civic Democratic party is convinced, however, that there cannot be two-speed market reforms. The logical outcome is either that the federation splits up, or one of the politicians backs down.

Slovaks are sure that they are being bled by Prague; prisoner's ball and chain. In Brarislava they talk not so much about the end of history as the rebirth of geography. The Slovak capital is only a 45-minute drive from Vienna, but a two-hour bumpy flight from Prague. As Austria joins the EC, so Slovakia can benefit.

Slovaks cross the border to shop and trade, while the more penny-pinching Viennese bravely come to get their teeth fixed by Slovak dentists. Since Prague airport is frequently fogbound, an air link between Vienna and Bratislava seems a logical step.

That is the bright new future presented by Slovak politicians. Yet it concentrates almost entirely on the stretch of Slovakia that borders Austria. For the rest of the republic there really is no answer. It is good agricultural land onto which an inefficient industrial complex of arms factories, forges and rolling mills has been grafted. Eighty per cent of the Czechoslovak arms industry is on Slovak territory.

When Prague announced that it would scale down weapons trading, something broke in the Slovak tank city

A split could leave Slovakia a poor and lonely heart in



Europe, writes

of Martin. Until then, most of the workers considered themselves Czechoslovaks. Almost overnight, they became Slovak separatists and voted for Mr Meciar.

Czech economists argue with some justice that the Slovaks are getting a good deal from the federation. Slovakia contributes disproportionately little to the federal budget. According to population size, it should finance about one-third of the federal budget but in 1992 the figure will be nearer 14 per cent.

The division of common revenues favours the Slovak republic. The revenues are split 35 per cent to the federation, 43 per cent to the Czechs, and 22 per cent to the Slovaks. Again, according to a population count, the Slo-

vaks should receive less. Slovakia consumes more than one-third of federal exmakes a powerful case that it is being disadvantaged in the federation. It consumes a big chunk of the federal budget only because it has the bulk of unemployment (12 per cent compared to 4 per cent of the workforce in the Czech repub-lic) caused bymarket reforms

Many companies have plants in Slovakia but pay tax only in the Czech republic. The Slovaks are selling raw material to the Czechs at below world prices. Yet even if the Czechs redress the economic balance. Slovakia would remain a poor country and independence would make it even poorer.

The economy was geared to the Soviet market which has largely collapsed. As an independent state, it will have to seek a new trading triangle with Austria and Hungary. It will compete with Prague for by separately for European

But the Slovaks, sooner rather than later, will have to make the choice. Together with the Czechs (in a renegotiated arrangement) they can move more quickly, but more painfully, towards integra-tion with the European Community. As an independent state, they will gain all controls over their economic development, but the way forward will be very slow.

Opinion polls reflect this Slovak dilemma. Well over 30 per cent voted for Mr Meciar and his separatist rhetoric. But more than 60 per cent still say they do not want a complete divorce from the Czechs. The betting is that the Slovaks voted for Mr Meciar because they wanted a strong negotiator with the Czechs, not because he was going to

lead them to independence. Mr Meciar's strategy over the next month of negotiations will therefore be to vilify Prague and try to boost support for separation. Once the Czechs appear willing to concede wide economic powers to the Slovaks, he may well stop the secessionist movement in

#### Italian police hold 700 in Mafia raids

Rome: Police raided Mafia strongholds across southern Italy and detained more from 700 people only hours Mer the approval of a tough new anti-crime decree.

Vincenzo Scotti, the interior minister, announced the raids in Rome where the decree was approved by the cabinet as a result of the assassination of the anti-Mafia campaigner, Giovanni ---Falcone. Signor Scotti said 151 people were detained in Sicily. The rest were held in 1999 the southern mainland regions of Campania. Calabria and Puglia, where local ver-

sions of the Mafia are based. Signor Scotti said the desible for serious crimes". Most had been on bail or under house arrest. (Reuter)

#### Polls delayed

Bucharest: Romanian legis lators voted after a bitter debate against holding presidential and legislative elections at the end of next month as proposed by the national assembly. The elections are already overdue. (AFP)

#### Madrid blast

Madrid: A 55lb car bomb containing nuts and bolts exploded here as a naval minibus passed by. Eight servicemen, a policeman and four pedestrians were injured. three seriously. Basque separatists were blamed.

#### Writer killed



Cairo: Farag Foda, an Egyptian writer who mocked Muslim fundamentalism, died after being shot by two men. One was held and identified as a member of Jihad, which killed Anwar Sadat (Reuter) Obimary, page 19

#### Baboon donors

Rome: Italian doctors welcomed a decision by a national medical ethics committee which approved the use of baboons' hearts for transplants on children. The Roman Catholic Church gave preliminary approval.

#### Belly flop

Malaybalay: The Filipino male nurse who claimed to be a pregnant hermaphrodite is a fake, his lawyer said after doctors uncovered an elaborate hoax by the homosexual who dreamt of becoming 8 woman and marrying. (AFP)

# Bronze-winning French turn their backs on the sun's dangers

Envoys hit

the road

to nowhere

FROM MARY DEJEVSKY

IN MOSCOW

THE silver-tongued "privile-gentsia" of the former Soviet

Union's diplomatic corps are

not having an easy time. Some of those who accom-

plished the transition to the

Russian foreign ministry are

These are Moscow's newly

appointed ambassadors to

the former Soviet republics.

More used to international

airports and Western office

buildings, and telephones

that work, this group is learn-

ing the hard way about the

Soviet legacy to its republics.

former empire have come 14

new ambassadorial posts for

Russia. Yesterday, the foreign

ministry presented recent ap-

pointees: the ambassadors to Moldavia, Uzbekistan, Arme-

nia, Azerbaijan, and Ukraine.

"There is just nothing there,"

said Filip Sidovsky (destina-tion Uzbekistan) plaintively.

There followed much waffled

goodwill, but Tashkent came

across as a poor second to

What of salaries? Would

they be paid in roubles or

foreign currency? The ques-

tion was faced with the look of

forbearance that meets ques-

tions about Yugoslavia. Ĥow-

ever, Vladimir Klichko, the

ambassador to Moldavia,

said that no one had taken on

Another problem is lan-

guage. The Soviet foreign ministry, it emerged, never

trained its diplomats in the

languages of the other repub-

lics. The ambassador-desig-

nate to Azerbaijan, Valter

Shony, offered the nearest to

local language skills — a de-gree in Turkish.

Mr Sidovsky said he was trying to learn Uzbek. "But it

is a very difficult language.

I'm doing my best."

the job for the money.

Kabul, a previous posting.

having to learn a new role.



Cannes tan: health warnings forgotten, French holidaymakers roast a deeper shade of brown on the beaches of the Mediterranean resort

WHEN it comes to the pursuit of a suntan, the French are in a class apart, devoted to bronzing every inch of skin that may be bared re-spectably, and often some more besides.

Looking good is the name of the game, and a golden glow is considered an essential component of la bonne mine the recent succession of sunny spring bank holidays has worked out perfectly for those who would never dream of embarking on France's long summer break without at the very least the sort of tan that Britons only dream of bringing home at the end of their fortnight on the beach.

French holidaymakers at one's own hotel never burn. never turn lobster pink, never peel: pale French people

FROM PHILIP JACOBSON IN PARIS are not allowed out in public until they are sufficiently ish) hat. bronzed to uphold national Much the same goes for honour. In extremis, bottle the aging effect too much bronzing or several days on the sun bed is acceptable if

pearing as white as the English: a tan is a tan is a tan. The French are not ignorant of the potential risks involved in sun worship: one recent poll found that over 80 per cent of respondents were aware of scientific research into the link between tanning and skin cancer.

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However, almost exactly the same proportion announced that they always worked on their holiday tan. and more than a third of them claimed never to use any form of protection, apparently preferring to retreat from the midday sun under an (undoubtedly styl-

sun has on the skin: however assiduously French women may guard their complexions, about half of those, questioned acknowledged that they would still want a tan even if it was scientifically demonstrated that that could damage facial tissues. A somewhat paradoxical response given, as Le Figaro observed yesterday, that surveys in France suggest that women are more likely to respond to being told smoking can cause lines and wrinkles than to warnings about the link between to-

bacco and lung cancer. The average French holidaymaker appears to spend 135 minutes a day soaking

shopping for lunch and the three hours or so required to appreciate the meal properly and the days slip by agreeably enough. When the real world can no longer be held at bay and France trickles rejuctantly back to work, the bronzage is to be paraded at every opportunity and topped up whenever possible. In a few

up the ultra-violet rays, but

many of those questioned

confessed to passing up to

five hours immobile be-

neath the sun. Throw in a

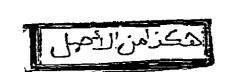
leisurely breakfast - they

are not the type to rise be-

fore dawn and bag the best

deckchairs - some serious

month's time, after all, the ski season will be upon the French, and one could not be seen on the slopes without the right depth of tan.



# Walesa tries to outflank army's move into politics

FROM RÖGER BOYES, EAST EUROPE CORRESPONDENT

THE hurly-burly of Polish politics that has already toppled the third Solidaritybased government is dangerously unsettling the army and, according to many defence experts, propelling generals into the political game.

The use last week of secret police files to discredit policical opponents may have been the final, desperate act of the government of Jan Olszewski. That certainly is the view of the optimists: but the indications are that it signals a new phase in which previously neutral institutions — notably the foreign ministry and the army — become political battlefields.

Many former communists still work as both diplomats and army officers. That was a necessary compromise struck after the first Solidarity government came to power in 1989. But the Olszewski government, wanting a more confident reorientation, a less conciliatory policy towards Moscow and a more active drive to join Nato, decided that the organisations had to be purged. Lech Walesa, the president, resisted and the

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Olszewski: secret files used in desperate bid

but the effect has been to politicise the army.

Janusz Onyskiewicz, appointed deputy defence minister to replace Radek Sikorski, the Polish-British journalist, has the job of calming the generals and supervising the reform that will change the communist structure of the army rather than its personnel. As he admitted yesterday, it will be an uphill

For one thing, some officers have been organising secret associations. An organisation called Viritim provides a network for disgruntled middleranking officers who are unhappy with the communistrained top brass.

The chief problem is a lack of trust between senior officers and their political controllers. The army feels that it has already undergone huge changes in the past two years. Some 2,500 communist political officers have been retired or transferred, commanders have been replaced and the army has been whittled down from 400,000 to 220,000 men. But Jan Parys, the defence minister, who was sacked after he suggested that presidential aides were preparing a coup with sympathetic generals, wanted to go much further. The aim was to prepare as fast as possible for entry to Nato.

Mr Onyskiewicz, appointed at the weekend by President Walesa, rather than Waldemar Pawlak, the new prime minister, is trusted by many generals. He also takes a longer view of Nato membership and says that the point is to build up a confident relationship with the allance rather than seek immediate entry. For the generals, that means less of an upheaval.

PRAGUE NOTEBOOK by Roger Boyes

# Where 'Long live work!' is a crime

A lired Jandusik walked A into the council offices of the Czech township of llava the other day and shouted "Long live work!" at the clerks. Then he addressed an official as "comrade". The police were called, he was arrested and given a stiff fine.

The magistrate ruled that to call somebody "comrade" in the new political climate was improper and that it fuelled pro-communist sentiment. Citizen Jandusik—he refused to be called Mr — pointed out that he had never been a Communist, unlike the official he had supposedly insulted. The court would not budge: "Long live work!" was a subversive slogan.

The idea of political correctness, fashionable in the America and brutally implemented in the communist bloc, is enjoying a new lease of life in the liberated East. In Czechoslovakia it is predictably taking on the tones and upside-down logic of The Good Soldier

Svejk Since Communists and secret police collaborators cannot hold high state office, it is almost libellous to call somebody comrade. To the window-cleaners (Archbishop Miloslav VIk), lorry loaders (foreign minister Jiri Dienstbier) and jailbirds (President Havel) who are now the backbone of the new elite, that seems secret police bosses have become social arbiters again. Only former case officers are qualified to say whether police dossiers are gemine or doctored. The experience of Poland is that many files have been made up, and indeed are in some way great works of fiction. Agents were paid bonuses according to the number of informers who were recruited into a network, and there was no way of checking whether they were really collaborators.

Tames of sources were even made up, much as Fleet Street print-workers used to add Mickey Mouse or Adam Smith to the night-shift rota.

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President Walesa was allowed to study his file on many of his alleged signatures on police documents used to used to used to ten ye forces a the operation of the categor many of his alleged signatures on police documents

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had been forged. Both President Havel and President Walesa have had to defend themselves publicly, detailing their brief brushes with the secret police. Many Polish deputies have just been told that they have a secret police record, but on closer examination some are finding that the birth date and addresses given are wrong, even that the files belonged to somebody else with a

similar name.

The Helsinki group that used to defend dissidents against communists now have to protect communists against the new order. There is a serious human rights issue at stake, since there is no real appeal against such revelations. The witch-hunters in Czechoslovakia and Poland shrug off such criticism. After all, they say, nobody is suggesting that these people are being put on trial, only that they should make a dignified withdrawal from public life. "Such people are whining about a right to justice, while trampling on the right to life," an angry right-wing Polish deputy said.

That, too, is part of the I new political correctness. There is still no antiabortion law in Roman Catholic Poland, but doctors have submitted themselves voluntarily to a code of ethics that bars them from performing abortions. Women are being turned away from all the main hospitals, and even gynaecologists in private practice are thinking twice before agreeing to operate on women who want to termi-

nate their pregnancy.

Professor Tadeusz Zielinski, the Polish ombudsman, says that that is a violation of the constitutional right to treatment by the health service.

Even so, the ethics code is probably better than the bill working its way through parliament. If passed, it would jail doctors for two years for performing abortions and could be used to imprison for up to ten years anybody who forces a woman to undergo the operation. The latter category could include parents of under-aged pregnant girls, husbands and

# Yeltsin goes to ground

FROM MARY DEJEVSKY IN MOSCOW

PRESIDENT Yeltsin staged one of his disappearing acts yesterday, postponing until today his meeting with the high command of the newly formed Russian army.

The meeting had been announced only a day in advance, and Mr Yeltsin had returned in good time from his two-day trip to the Urals. No explanation was offered for his absence.

The high command began its two-day meeting in Moscow on schedule, but had to alter the order of business. Among the items on the agenda is the appointment of four deputy defence ministers.

Mr Yeltsin has appealed to

"the peoples of Georgia and South Ossetia" for an end to the "senseless bloodshed" in the region. The statement, reported by the Interfax news agency, said that Russia was prepared to take any joint measures to reduce the tension. Ten people were reported killed and at least 40 injured after a night of shelling in Tskhinvali, the capital of South Ossetia.



Picking their way: two Muslim women voting in Jakarta yesterday in the Indonesian general election. Preliminary counts showed President Suharto's Golkar party, which has ruled for almost 27 years, set for certain victory

PEOPLE:

# Marcos gives judge the silent treatment

The former Philippines first lady. Imelda Marcos, refused to answer charges of failing to report dollar earnings abroad and a judge entered a not guilty plea on her behalf. Mrs Marcos stood silent before Judge Demetrio Batario in Manila in protest at alleged fraud in the presidential elections last month.

The Pope, speaking on the last day of a six-day visit to Angola, praised those Angolans who, he said, had kept the Roman Catholic faith alive during 16 years of socialism and civil war, comparing them to the first Christian martyrs.

Japan's foreign minister. Michio Watanabe. 68, was in highly satisfactory condition after gallstone surgery.

Mali's new president, Alpha Oumar Konare, has named the banker Younoussi Toure as prime minister in the West African country's first freely

The actor Larry Riley, 39, who appeared on the tele-

elected government.

vision soap opera Knots Landing, has died in Los Angeles of complications from Aids, his publicist said.

The former Peruvian president, Alan García, an opponent of President Fujimori granted political asylum in Colombia last week, has been reunited with his wife and children in Bogotá.

President Bush will meet the Albanian president, Sali Berisha, at the White House on June 15, the first meeting between the leaders of the two

communism in Albania.

Lesotho said it would not let King Moshoeshoe II back on the throne when he re-

countries since the fall of

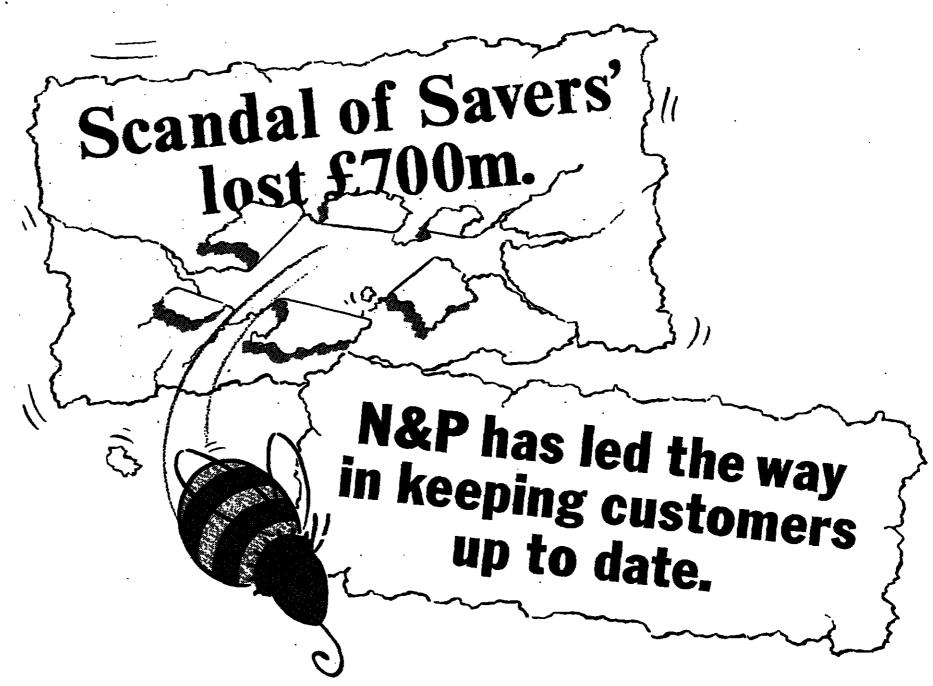
on the throne when he returns from exile in London later this year.

Zimbabwe's information and telecommunications minister, Victoria Chitepo, 65, says she will retire this month, the first cabinet member to quit voluntarily since independence 12 years ago, to concentrate on her family.

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# The greying of pop culture

Bryan Appleyard on the golden oldies who are still top of the pops

It is now more than respectable to list Abba as a formative influence on one's world view. Cultured 40-year-olds fondly recall a late flowering, post-adolescent spinal shiver at the sound of "Dancing Queen". And teenagers are currently bopping to a respectful, chart-topping version by the band Erasure of four of the Swedish foursome's songs from the latest episode of pop history to be encultured, written into the officially-endorsed canon of significant. Zeitgeist-affirming trash.

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This process of transforming pop into a serious, self-sustaining parallel culture is, first, a function of the passage of time. Despite promising excesses in the 1960s. Pete Townshend and Keith Richards have stubbornly refused to die before growing old. Mick Jagger is about to become a grandfather, Paul McCartney is turning 50, and both Radio

One and Sergeant
Pepper's Lonely
Hearts Club Band
are 25 this year.
Even Joe Cocker
has just been reborn. Given the
paucity of career
prospects for retired rock stars, it is
only to be expected
that they should
seek out some way,
however embarrassing to rock on.
But there is more

But there is more to it than this. Frank Sinatra and Mel Tormé still have their followers, but their

reputations are sustained neither by this enthusiastic recycling nor by the formidable body of highbrow justification that enfolds rock'n' roll. For rock as culture is now about more than music, it is about symbolism, imagery and the art of distilling fantasies. The face of the young Elvis Presley is now on a US stamp because Americans accept that all his flashy sexiness is part of what they are.

Surprisingly, the young accept this institutionalisation. The old role of pop as overthrower of the parental order is now a minor part of its appeal. There are terrifying rap bands extolling the virtues of killing whites, but, overall, the young are happy to be part of a tradition that must, to them, verge on the palaeolithic. In the infantile film Wayne's World, the cultivatedly gormless heroes listen in bliss to Queen's "Bohemian Rhapsody". a very ancient piece of nonsense, and are overcome by meeting that amiable old prince of darkness, Alice Cooper. The film's regularly repeated injunction is to "party on", to preserve the venerable continuity of living up to one's responsibility to be the teenagers their parents once were. Poo youth is no longer the terminal condition it was in the 1960s; it is a rite of passage.

This ritual aspect explains the phenomenon of Madonna. With brilliant calculation, she has realised the need for pop to be about dressing up and being naughty, far more than about music. She has adopted and celebrated the sullen, pouting wilfulness of the pubescent girl, and justified it as a feminist gesture. There is no message other than to endorse the

arbitrary superficiality of being young and naughty. What you see is what you get and what you are. And being what you are is the ultimate, unquestionable good.

So pop becomes autonomous and self-justifying. Its more ambitious practitioners need no longer derive their energy from opposition to the Vietnam war, the capitalist system or even the poetic anguish of adolescence. They need only the stubborn commitment to be pop, to party on. There is no longer the old division between earnest, student rock and trashy, teeny non.

It is not strictly necessary, but there is a heavyweight intellectual justification for all this. The brightest devotees and impresarios of this new pop for pop's sake spring from a quite different educational culture from that of their 40-plus parents. At college they were introduced to exotic

growths like structuralism and crosscultural studies. Mick Jagger They learned to study signs and systems rather is soon to be than hierarchies a grandad, and values. High while Paul culture and low or pop culture were McCartney is united as adjacent regions of interturning 50 locking systems. It was no more "seriand Radio ous" to study the great tradition of the English novel One is 25 than the lyrics of Abba or the clothes this year of Madonna.

This ideal of cultural unification is currently being realised, honourably and with some success, by the magazine Modern Review. It looks like the TLS, but its subject matter is pop in all its manifestations, from music to American wrestling and computer games. It defends pop as the self-justifying truth of

And Modern Review has defined the new bad faith: the abandonment of pop. The novelist Martin Amis — on the face of it a literary master of the language of pop and trash — is now an apostate. He has stood outside the system of pop and taken on the tone of a moralist. The one crime in pop, the one thing you cannot do, however good it feels, is to look judgmentally down on pop.

Whether Modern Review and all these other manifestations of pop culture as self-justifying, respect-able and truly democratic amount to something new or just another fashion remains to be seen; but it can hardly now be denied that the sytems of technology and global culture have created their own language and imagery, and it is the language and imagery of pop. Merely revelling in the flashy intricacies of those systems, as most of the old structuralists and cultural pundits now acknowledge, is not good enough. It offers only passive self-immolation. Equally, it is a fairly Canute-like activity to dismiss the whole show as a bad thing. Pop is here and everywhere and probably forever. It must be better to apply cultivated, critical intelligence to the phenomenon, however tempting frozen disapproval may be.

Anyway, to be painfully honest, I think Abba were pretty good.

## John Osborne, still raging away at 62, has become a national treasure, says Philip Howard

immy Porter is back in town after 36 years, and there is oppressive closeness in the air, as before a storm. Dėjavu, son of Look Back in Anger, opens at the Comedy Theatre tonight. The sequel to one of the most influential plays since the war, which changed the agenda of the theatre for its generation and introduced to public consciousness the vulgar shorthand labels of angry young man and kitchen-sink drama, is in any event an important theatrical occasion. The uproar and public polemics that accompany its author John Osborne in everything he does — as pilot fish swim around a shark — make it a noisy

news story.
Jimmy Porter now has grey hair, but he is as angry and abusive as ever. Alison, his wife in Look Back, has been transmuted into his daughter. She walks out on him, saying that she never liked him, even as a little girl: "No wonder he prefers dogs to people. He came into this world bitching and he'll go out the same way. Unloved, unlovable and unloving." To confuse authors with their characters

Angry old codgers

is a primitive sympathetic error which this author would be the first to denounce with a furious squib, but it is remarkable how Osborne, like Jimmy Porter, has failed to mellow in his sixties.

He has been trumpeting rage and grief in the public prints for the past formight, the paragraphs exploding as they mean to carry on, with such phrases as "I do find increasingly irksome" and "another victory for the lumpenocracy". His Spectator diary a week ago erupted: "My relations with the popular press have been bitter and hostile for almost 40 years. Papers like the Mail, Express and Daily Telegraph have traduced and vilified me consistently. It's no particular surprise. But recently I have come across moral corrup-tion so bland and remorseless that it's like confronting an advanced form of madness." He then unfolds an everyday tale of unscrupulous tabloid hackery, fantasy and lazy typecasting about the "angry old recluse". Deplorable, no doubt, but not really a moral outrage as final as the stabbing of Christopher Marlowe.

To scribble anything in public or private about John Osborne is a high-risk undertaking. For some-body who is so dangerously honest in print about his nearest and dearest (who often turn out to be his dearest enemies), he is morbidly thin-skinned at the faintest whilf of criticism. But it seems a pity that the angry young man of the 1950s, who skewered the national mood precisely with his fury at the complacent establishment, has turned into a grumpy old codger, who seems to be cross about everything to do with the modern world, from its music to its mores. This is an unusual pattern for

world, from its music to its mores.

This is an unusual pattern for playwrights, who tend to calm down as they grow older and

become more at ease with the world. Ibsen turned from his works of shocking social realism to heavy symbolism as he grew older. Shakespeare gave up raging tragedy for the elegiac tragicomedies of his last plays, such as *The Winter's Tale*. In extreme old age Sophocles produced *Oedipus Coloneus*, which is not really a tragedy at all, more a celebration

of the achievement of glory.

Osborne shows no signs of reaching this serene plateau of contentment or resignation for the long-distance dramatist. He ticks more furiously as he grows older. Partly this may be the contempt of the intellectual for the masses, expressed by Eliot. Leavis, and Nietzsche, who wrote: "The rabble vomit their bile and call it a newspaper. We feel contemptuous of every kind of culture that is compatible with reading, not to speak of writing, for newspapers."

Apart from the mildness of its expression, that could be Osborne speaking.

Partly, his apparent chronic bad temper may come from the chippiness of the lower-middle-class boy made good who expected to change the world entirely and was disappointed in his absurd expectation. like all such visionaries. Perhaps it is just something to do with his genes or champagne. We were not sent into this world entirely for pleasure, and not everything about growing old is a bundle of fun.

I hope Dejava is a rave success, and I look forward impatiently to seeing it. But whether the critics blow their trumpets or heave the old harpoon in their disobliging way. Osborne has plenty to be pleased about, if only pleasure came more easily to him. He has changed the face of the theatre, and is one of the most influential writers of his generation. His works will live far longer than those of his imagined enemies and critics. It will infuriate him to read this, but he is a much-loved national treasure.

# Public lives, private pain

The press code gives scant help to editors when intimate royal secrets are published, writes Simon Jenkins

hat reply can the press possibly give to Lord McGregor's damnation of the royal stories of the past few days? His lordship admits that the royal marriage has been put "in the public domain" by the spouses' recent behaviour. It is thus "legitimate within the public interest" for report and comment. Yet the manner and tone of this reporting, he says, is "dabbling fingers in the stuff of other people's souls". Of public interest, perhaps, but no longer "legitimate".

Most readers, even those hypo-

critically rushing out to buy the relevant newspapers, may give a cheer. But editors will find little guidance from Lord McGregor on the boundary between his legitimate and illegitimate "public interest" in this story. In 1990 the Calcutt committee was specific in its draft code of practice on privacy. It rejected the American media defence: that public figures are assumed to have "put themselves forward" for scrutiny and so sacrificed the right to privacy. Calcutt's view was that everybody, be they ever so mighty, has the same right. Intrusions without consent are not permissible, except in specific circumstances, such as investigation of crimes and seriously antisocial behaviour. Private life was defined to include "health, home and personal relationships". There was deliberately no reference to public interest. since the phrase is open to too wide a range of interpretation.

When Lord McGregor's Press Complaints Commission (PCC) was set up after Calcutt, it preferred to use the vague "public interest" defence in cases of intrusion. Calcutt's specific cases were used merely as illustrations. Newspapers have employed the "antisocial behaviour" clause as a coach and horses, to justify any intrusion in anybody's marital affairs. No definition of private life appeared in the code. In my view, the code is virtually useless, so much so that Lord McGregor was yesterday

reduced to prefixing public interest with the undefined qualifier

With such flimsy armour did most serious newspapers confront last weekend's revelations about the royal marriage. Most did so with deliberation and hesitation rather than glee, hard though it may be for readers to believe. The liberal doses of humbug were not surprising.

The Times supports the royal

Times supports the royal family constitutionally. It regards its members as entitled to the same privacy in their personal lives as any other citizen — and subject to the same scrutiny when it is relevant to their public duties. The paper does not normally cover the intimate tribulations of anybody's marriage, except when relevant to the reporting of court cases, however much to the detriment of its circulation.

ast Friday a classic Fleet Street war broke out between rival bidders (The Sunday Times and the Daily Mail) for a book purporting to give the Princess of Wales's version of what ails her marriage. (Editorially, The Times is wholly distinct from The Sunday Times.) The appeal of the book lies in its well-sourced and intimate details of the Princess's health, and in the Prince of Wales's apparently cold responses. Various papers have tried to portray this as having constitutional significance. The reality is far more sensational: one of the world's most widely publicised romances gone tragically sour, told in a way to strike a chord with troubled couples anywhere. Such material would have tested the discretion of a Trappist abbot, let alone a Fleet Street editor. It was bound, in Cobbett's phrase, "to loose every tongue and pen in England". Palace-watchers have long known that the story would test press self-regulation well beyoud the point of destruction.

Should any of this be reported? On Friday the only facts clearly in the public domain were of a fierce



publishing battle on every newsstand. The battle was widely noticed — and thus further hyped — by the BBC that same evening. There cannot have been any place of public resort in Britain where it was not discussed. The Times took the view that readers needed to be told something of what they were seeing and hearing on all sides, but within the spirit of the code. Reference had to be made to the basis of the newspaper war, but there should be no dissemination of the intrusion under cover of reporting the detailed allegations from other papers. The paper had no evidence for the intrusions, which seemed prima

The same view was separately taken by The Daily Telegraph. The Independent and The Financial Times. None mentioned the Princess' health or the Princes' reaction The Guardian took a more liberal view, extensively reporting the revelations, while grandly deploring such disclosures in a separate editorial. The tabloids showed no apparent restraint.

o where stand Calcutt and the PCC code? In the first place, the intrusion must be mitigated by the Princess's involvement. There is no doubt that she knew of the book and agreed to the donation of photographs. She also knew that close friends were talking to the author, Andrew Morton. Had she asked them not to co-operate, she would have stripped the book of any authenticity. Had there been a law of privacy, these actions or inactions — "leave and licence" to lawyers — would at least have muddied the waters. Lord McGregor makes no mention of this.

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What has so far been published is indeed a great intrusion into the lives of the royal family, and hurtful to the Prince and the children. But codes governing these matters do not extend to books. Once a book is in the public domain, the intrusion has occurred. This mitigates, although it cannot wholly excuse, further dissemination. So newspapers are left to rely on taste when considering what to reveal. The Times decided not to carry the allegations. Further dissemination of such intimacies was not relevant to the family's public duties.

But more to the point, the legations patently infringed another person's privacy, that of the Prince himself. That anybody. public figure or not, should be expected to defend his reputation as husband and father by divulging yet more details of his family life is grossly unfair. The "Prince's party", not surprisingly, has a wholly different view of the past conduct and present state of his marriage. Dignity requires that he distortion. His privacy is his right. To such matters this splenetic PCC should have addressed itself.

The author was a member of the Calcutt committee, 1989-90.

# ...and moreover ALAN COREN

ll history invites speculative empathy. It has always seemed to me to be the best reason for studying it. History is. after all, merely old news, and while 1 am content to leave others to muli time's cuttings in the attempt to winkle out why this happened rather than that and thus get as close as possible to the manifold bottoms of wars. revolutions, edicts, treaties, policies, movements and the like, none of this is my own primary concern. I want to know only what it was like to be there.

Where? Anywhere. Cut his-

Where? Anywhere. Cut history's pack how you will. I shall muster what imagination I can to immerse myself in what turns up. Offer me that moment when the critical chip is finally chiselled and the rock rolls downhill while the furrowed Neanderthaler wonders what to do with it now, invite me to wade ashore behind Caesar or retreat up the shingle before William, buy me a ticket to gawp at Anne Boleyn's impermanent neck or Burbage's first crack at Hamlet. stick me in the public gallery as Jenkins bursts in with his bottled ear or in the Victory's tattered rigging as Hardy bends his unbottled one to Nelson's lip, and I shall burst a nostril seeking that authentic contemporary whiff which was the common bystander's.

I do not clearly know, mind. why I want to know this, especially as it deserves to be construed as a lowbrow, vulgar and novelettish approach to the

major doings of the past million years, but it probably has something to do with wanting to believe in the commonwealth of ordinary folk who, despite the extraordinariness of the public events of their various times, form a continuum. And the conviction that this is exactly what they do cheers me no end, partly because I feel closer to porters and gravediggers than to kings and archbishops, but mainly because it enables me also to believe that this is the way it will always be.

And whenever something comes along to support that conviction, it makes me feel very good indeed. It makes me feel so good that I want to spread the feeling around, which is why you are being buttonholed today, as the result of a rather small piece of news I found buried among the fallout of a rather big piece of news. Yesterday, most papers carried a report of the discovery of the oldest longbow ever found in Britain: this was a large yew number, buried and thus preserved in a Dumfriesshire peat stack, and it was described by a spokesperson for the National Museums of Scotland as a sensational and internationally important find, now that it has been carbon-dated by Oxford as having been whittled some time between 4040 and 3640 BC. It is a sensationally and internationally important, of course. because the history of man is inextricably linked with the hisnow roll up their sleeves and get stuck into the huge implications with which this 6,000year-old missile-launcher is undoubtedly fraught

doubtedly fraught.

But I shall leave them to it. since I have minor fish to fry. For me, the heart (in every sense) of the story lies here: "The bow is made from a single piece of yew and two thirds of it survives, including the grip. The fact that it was discovered, broken, on a remote hilltop suggests that its owner threw it away in disgust when it snapped."

In a flash, I am there. I have been there often. I may not have been there with a snapped bow, but I have been there with a busted fan-belt, a dead phone. a hot fridge, a jammed cog, a burst pipe, and, across 60 centuries. I feel the vibration of his disgust, because it resonates with mine. While I do not know whether language was as yet sophisticated enough to provide him with the wherewithal to swear. I know exactly how he

would have sworn if he could.

So let the historians speculate upon whether, had her clansmen only been able to fashion better longbows. Dumfriesshire would have taken Agincourt 5,000 years earlier, the Romans would never have got a Gallic look-in, or, for all I know, the first man on the moon would have been an Attec. All I hear is the howl echoing from glen to glen as my hapless forebear discovers that the maker's war-

# Calcutt corners

AS THE press watchdog's strictures over coverage of the Royal marriage were widely ignored yesterday, there were strong signs that the council of the Press Complaints Commission is riven by internal dissent over the statement issued by its chairman, Lord McGregor. Although the commission initially implied that its condemnation of "journalists dabbling their fingers in the stuff of other people's souls" was unanimous, at least one of the three national newspaper editors on the self-regulatory body has disowned the statement, and a second, when

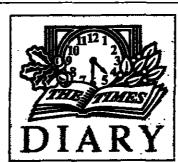
given the opportunity to endorse it, pointedly declined to comment. Patsy Chapman, editor of the News of the World, said: "I think this story has got to be covered. It is an historic story and one which is in the public interest... I cannot see any other way this could have been reported." A second editor on the commission, Brian Hitchen, of the Daily Star, would not confirm whether he had supported the statement. Callers to his office were told he was "in meetings all day". His front page, however, made his view transparently clear. "It's all true",

screamed the headline.

Max Hastings, the third national editor on the commission, who is believed to have been the driving force behind the statement, refused to comment on his colleagues' position. He, however, has just announced his resignation from the council, though this is unconnected with the furore

over the royal story.

The commission, which drew up the statement at an emergency meeting on Monday, fended off all enquiries yesterday by declaring that its proceedings were, if not



secret, at least private. It is known, however, that the emergency meeting was poorly attended, although all but one of the absent members were later contacted. In addition to Lord McGregor, only three are understood to have been present during the drafting of the contentious statement: Sir Edward Pickering, Sir David Chipp and former royal lady-in-waiting. Lady Elizabeth Cavendish.

#### Unwarranted

WHILE Harrods has banned Andrew Morton's book. Hatchards. bookseller to the Prince of Wales, was yesterday happily taking advance orders for the title from all over the world.

Terry Maher, chairman of Pentos, which bought Hatchards last year and also owns the Dillons chain, says: "It is not something we had to think hard about. We came under pressure over the Salman Rushdie book, but our shops without exception continued to stock that. It wasn't a case of defending the book, we simply do not believe in censorship."

Geoffrey Bailey, customer relations manager at Hatchards, says he does not expect the policy to affect its four royal warrants. "There has been tremendous interest in the book from Americans asking for the book to be posted to the

States. I even had a call from Australia asking for a copy." Meanwhile, Waterstone's in

facie unwarranted.

Meanwhile, Waterstone's in Kensington High Street, which initially announced that it would not sell the book out of respect for its royal customers, yesterday changed its mind. "They didn't understand how big a sale it is going to be," said a spokesman for W.H. Smith, the parent company.

• The dubious honour of auctioning the world's most collectible condom falls to Christie's next month. The rare French example dates from 1810, and is expected



to fetch up to £800 when it comes under the hammer on July 2. The device is made of sheep's intestine, and is tied with a silk ribbon. It also bears what is called "a satirical ecclesiastical illustration". Patrick Grant of Christie's says: "It depicts a nun, two monks and a bishop. She appears to be choosing between them."

#### Wine lessons

IF there is anything more inappropriate than coals to Newcastle, it must be shipping bottles of English pinot noir to Paris. President Mitterrand's finely-honed French palate will get a taste tonight

of one of England's finest white wines, when as the guest of the Queen at a banquet at the British embassy, he will be served the best Pinot Noir '89 from Chiddingstone in Kent. The dry white will be served to the French president along with a menu of Scotch salmon and English cheeses.

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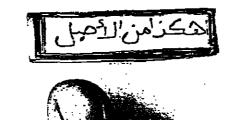
"The best vintage since '7o."
says Dudley Quirk, who owns the 65-acre vineyard. "I think the French will be quite pleasantly surprised to find it is pas mal."

#### Given the slipper

IF Ronnie Biggs does meet John Major in Rio, then Jack Slipper. the great train robber's old adversary, has some advice for the prime minister, do not be fooled by his easygoing charm. Slipper, the former Flying Squad chief whose 1974 bid to haul Biggs back to jail was thwarted by red tape, says: "I hope that the prime minister would not give a wanted criminal a second of his time." Biggs hopes to meet Major in Rio to ask if he can return to Britain a free man if the Brazilians kick him out. Slipper concedes that Biggs is a reformed character, but insists: "We can't afford to let somebody off scot free for one of the most audacious crimes of the century."

Since rehabilitated, Biggs is now giving tips to Earth Summit delegates — on how to avoid pickpockets.

◆ The new intake of Tory MPs was last night celebrating entry to the Commons in true English style, with a fish and chip supper. But instead of the traditional wrapping of newsprint, the meal was served in copies of the Conservative manifesto. Ian Greer, who hosted the dinner on behalf of his public affairs company, is planning a similar event later this month for the new Labour intake.



# THE DANGERS OF PEROT

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dent next January. He is still a long snot be he has become a serious contender for the white House rather than simply a symbol of white House rather than shippy a symmetrical popular frustration with the political establishment. As support for his undeclared adidacy rises, so too has the scrutiny of his establishment. As support for the candidacy rises, so too has the scrutiny of his candidacy rises. The emerging picture is candidacy nses, so we has the second record and views. The emerging picture is both for voters and for America's record and views. The characters worrying, both for voters and for America's allies overseas.

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Governor Bill Clinton, though in front of both resulting Governor Bill Clinton, though independent candidates like Mr Perot have tended to fade between the summer and experienced cam-November's elections. Experienced campaigners such as Hamilton Jordan, a close aide to Jimmy Carter in the 1970s, and Ed Rollins, who ran Ronald Reagan's reelection drive in 1984, are now backing Mr Perot. On Monday, some Democratic and independent mayors who met Mr Perot to discuss urban issues said they were considering whether to endorse him.

So far Mr Perot has succeeded because he is neither of the main party candidates. Roughly half his supporters say they back him because they dislike the other contenders. He has benefited from public anger with the failure of both the Bush White House the failure of both the Congress to and the Democratic controlled Congress to take decisive action to tackle the soaring take decisive amount to learn the schools, budget deficit, falling standards in schools, costly health services, crime and declining competitiveness. Conventional politicians are seen as self-seeking and weak. Mr Perot is the ideal candidate for such an antipolitician mood. A self-made billionaire with a reputation as a decisive executive in the can-do Texan spirit, he promises to shake Washington to its foundations.

Mr Perot has been widely criticised as fuzzy on policy. This is misleading. He has many views, most of them either naive or damaging. He rightly identifies the importance of cutting the budget deficit. But he tanting resorts to those traditional evasions of eliminating wasteful government spending and improving tax collection. These are fine sounding aspirations but they generally produce small savings in practice without much more specific action to cut spending programmes. He would also get Germany and Japan to pay the costs of stationing American troops overseas, a reasonable aim. though as expressed by Mr Perot it largely ignores what these countries already contribute. A crude confrontation on troop costs would probably lead to a big cutback in American military involvement in Europe and Asia.

For all his championing of free-enterprise values. Mr Perot is a protectionist at heart. He supports managed trade, reaching deals with Japan on quotas of imports and exports, and he opposes the desirable free trade agreement now being negotiated with Mexico. Mr Perot talks like opposition politicians often do about a form of industrial policy. This would involve a close partnership between government and manufacturing industry to create strategic plans for each sector. He favours changes in anti-trust laws to remove restraints on large companies

from competing with foreign rivals. Like many businessmen, Mr Perot believes that only the weakness of Washington politics stands in the way of obvious solutions. He talks as if the checks and balances in the American constitution can be brushed aside by such devices as the "electronic town hall", an instant referendum in every home. This ignores the differences of interest in any society, especially one as regionally and ethnically mixed as America. These differences politicians exist to represent and reconcile. Nothing in Mr Perot's record suggests that he understands these constraints. He has been sensitive to criticism, authoritarian as a manager, intolerant of opponents, a believer in conspiracy theories

and obsessed with secrecy. If Mr Perot confounds the sceptics and wins in November, he might for a short time be able to lead Congress and break the current deadlock. But his are short-term palliatives. His candidacy is a warning rather than a solution.

## RINGING THE CHANGES

Sir Bryan Carsberg, outgoing director n: ... general of telecommunications, has deliv-grazed Britain's biggest company. Call charges, he says, should rise for the next four with the years at a rate of no more than inflation less 7.5 per cent, which at the moment would imply a cut in charges. This squeeze on prices has been tightened with each turn of the regulatory screw since BT was privatised in 1984.

Telephone users might still be justified in which had asking whether this is enough near-monopoly that BT still enjoys. Eight years after privatisation BT still handles 93 per cent of all telephone calls. Mercury has made inroads into sections of the market. such as firms in the City, and it is starting to ... with sign up small numbers of domestic consumers. But it is still only marginal competition to BT, nothing like enough to make BT behave like an ordinary, pricesensitive firm.

In trying to change this Sir Bryan faces a . I'm dilemma. He rightly wants to introduce in more competition into the telecommunica-, and to help Mercury and new telephone carriers. But he must respect BT's reasonable call for investment money, not " least overseas where the company is in fierce and effective competition for new business. Also he cannot cap BT's prices without affecting those of its competitors. He must not so distort the market through capping that he prices existing and potential competitors out of contention.

Yesterday's formula was designed both to meet outrage at what some consumer bodies see as BT's "excessive" profits, while allowing enough headroom for newcomers to see a not profit in entering the market. More significant if less headline-catching were Sir Bryan's proposals for interconnection: the terms and conditions on which competitors to BT can piggyback on its network. BT

could obviously forestall all competition were it allowed to set its own prices and terms for interconnection. It is Oftel's job to ensure that this does not happen.

Sir Bryan proposes that BT makes its accountancy more transparent so that its competitors and Oftel can see how much different BT businesses currently charge each other for interconnection. To ensure fairness, a competitor should be charged the same rate and no more.

Meanwhile, Oftel will speed up the on interconnection. BT has been accused of excessive delay, as has Oftel in its arbitration. Oftel will now step in after three months and its recommendations will be applied retrospectively to the date at which it began to arbitrate.

Speedy and fair interconnection will be the best way of ensuring real competition into telecommunications. There is no shortage of new candidates for entry and advances in technology should make competition easier to introduce. The trade and industry department is sitting on about 30 applications for licences from potential rivals to BT and Mercury.

To the extent that a telephone service is a social good, a regulator will always be needed. A telephone company needs to be forced to maintain uneconomic telephone boxes on the Shetland Islands. It must be encouraged to offer low-cost packages to those who want a telephone purely for emergency use and to help subsidise text terminals for the deaf.

But the more competition Oftel and the DTI introduce into this exciting market, the less a regulator will have to do. The market will wave the stick that has so far been wielded by the director general of Oftel. The best epitaph for Sir Bryan will be that he enabled his successor to regulate himself out

#### FISH PAST

The origin of the species has been pushed back another 40 million years. Humankind's oldest ancestors turn out to have been neither Adam and Eve. nor an ape, but a predatory eel-fish with razor-sharp teeth and a shellfish instinct for self-preservation. Cynics might argue that evolution has run downhill thereafter. But the fishy forefather of man (who in this instance embraces respectively foremother and woman) does not come as a surprise. Twenty-five centuries ago, Anaximander proposed: "Men first appeared as fishes. When they were able to help themselves, they took to the land." And on land they have been helping themselves ever since, to each other's food, property. lives, territory and wives.

Palaeontologists at Durham and Bitmingham universities have cracked the mystery of the conodon. More than a century ago a Russian archaeologist called Christian Pander isolated hundreds of thousands of small spiky fossils in sedimentary rock. They looked remarkably like tiny teeth. Since then they have been variously identified as microfossils of algae or other plants, or as the teeth of invertebrates. Ten years ago a pristine fossil of an owner of a set of such dentures was found in coalbearing rocks near Edinburgh.

A conodont is a creature with cone-shaped teeth. This is what the scientists have been Camining under their electron microscope. in an exercise of palaeodentistry vastly more intricate than the average polish on the national health. They have discovered the carliest enamel cap overlying bone and

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conodont was actually a vertebrate. Man's earliest ancestors can therefore now be traced back as far as 530 million years.

The current surge in scientific discovery about the remote past is as exciting as the first wave a century ago, ridden by Darwin and Huxley. It suits the modern obsession with roots and the old environment, from crowds trooping round historic buildings to the excitement about whether manking emerged on dry land in one place (Africa, or it now seems China as well), to the Big Bang kick-start theory of the universe.

To suppose that such knowledge can ever be definitive is to make a category mistake about science as silly as "the conodont will be elected president". (As it happens, Ross Perot retains faint vestiges of man's conodont ancestry.) What man is doing here on Earth is a question that admits only mystical answers. To suppose that man, proud man, even scientist, proud scientist, can ever know the mind of God is to mistake the human condition and the semantics of words such as God. Such questions are philosophical and provisional rather than scientific.

Conodonts were successful because they wasted no time on metaphysical speculations. They simply bit their way through life and into the evolutionary textbook. The unscientific but venerable Bede compared human life to a sparrow flying at speed through a lighted hall in winter. We come from the dark and we go into the dark, and can see the bright light only briefly and partially. In spite of the wonders of modern science, this still remains as true of us as it

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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#### European bank for Edinburgh?

From Mr Michael Brandon

Sir, I am anxious that the UK presidency of the EC should be a success. I consider, however, that the government needs to re-focus its policy towards Scotland in order to ensure such success. Fortunately, an opportunity has just arisen, which the government should immediately

Wisely, the heads of governments meeting will be held in Edinburgh in December. But we do not want to see then the prime minister embarrassed and the summit itself disturbed by anti-government demonstrations. Current Tory policies of ignoring genuine Scottish aspirations could certainly lead to street troubles in December, discrediting Britain's prestige abroad and further reducing Conservative influence north of the border.

The Chancellor, speaking in the Commons last month, acknowledged that Britain — meaning more than one centre and not just London alone - will be the strongest candidate to become the headquarters of the European Central Bank (ECB). Yet, when Edinburgh announced its candidature on May 25 (report, later editions. May 26) there was reportedly not a single Conservative MP — even one of the 11 Scottish ones - present.

The concept of splitting the activities of the ECB between London and Edinburgh is an auractive one. The government should strongly support it and be actively represented at the forthcoming conference in Brussels organised by Scotland Europa.

Since the decision on the site of the ECB is due to be taken at the December summit, what a coup for the reigning EC president to be able to announce in Edinburgh that Edinburgh was to be a host city to the ECB. Yours very truly.

MICHAEL BRANDON, 1291 Commugny, PO Box 1. Geneva. June 6.

#### Call for increase in museum grants

From the Chairman of the National Art Collections Fund

Sir, Tomorrow's debate in the Lords on the funding of museum acquisitions is well timed. We warmly welcome the Secretary of State for National Heritage's decision to abandon a proscribed list as a possible solution to the thorny questhis goes a need to find a real solution to the continuing problem of insufficient resources.

One of the needs is for realistic purchase grants. They have been frozen since 1985 at a level which even then bore little relation to the market. The 18 national museums' and galleries' annual purchase grants amount to £13 million. This sum needs to be at least doubled immediately and regularly reviewed. This would probably be enough to cover the minor to mid-range acquisitions necessary to ensure the quality of collections.

Beyond this, we need an ad hoc provision for the truly major works of art which rarely appear on the market. Holbein's Lady with a Squirrel, happily bought, is an example: the Badminton Cabinet, sadly lost, is another. And what if another work of such wonderful quality appears in the near future?

We estimate that the total sum needed is around £30 million per annum. Finding this sum from a national lottery appears to be both a realistic and attractive solution. We hope that the minister will grasp this opportunity to provide for the future health of our national collections.

Yours faithfully, NICHOLAS GOODISON. Chairman. National Art Collections Fund. 20 John Islip Street, SW1.

#### Safe car windows

From Mrs Judith A. White

Sir. For many women who are driving long distances alone, often on deserted and unlit roads or in questionable areas, the fact that all the car windows can be quickly and simultaneously closed is greatly reassuring.

Should car manufacturers be induced to introduce a fail-safe stopping mechanism, as suggested in your report (June 2), what is to stop a would-be attacker from inserting his hand into a window and gaining access to the door locks?

Would it not be possible for car buyers to be specifically warned of the potential hazards of electric windows, especially to young children, so that parents can be made aware of the danger? After all, children have parents to watch over them and take precautions for them but the lone woman motorist has not. Yours faithfully,

JUDITH WHITE, 24 Cromwell Road, Ely. Cambridgeshire.

From Baroness Platt of Writtle Sir, Could we not go back to the good old days of elbow grease, thereby both saving life and global warming? Yours sincerely.

PLATT OF WRITTLE, House of Lords.

#### Rio quest for a sustainable future required of the British government

From the Director of Oxfam

Sir, According to the Unced (UN Conference on Environment and Development) secretariat, developing countries will need an additional \$125 billion in new resources by the end of this century to meet the environmental standards and obligations called for at the Earth summit in Rio de Janeiro. This huge investment can only be made if the North undertakes commitments in three areas.

1. Governments must undertake to increase their aid budgets to the UN target of 0.7 per cent by the end of the decade. Those furthest from achieving this goal (such as the US, the UK and Japan) should set an example by agreeing to "catch up" with more generous donors, rather than seeking "when resources allow" opt-out clauses.

2. Debt reform commitments are vital. Last year, developing countries transferred \$31 billion more to the North in debt repayments than they received in new loans. Britain has taken the lead in addressing the problem of official debt through the Paris Club. What is needed now is an equally far-reaching initiative aimed at reducing commercial bank debt to levels compatible with sustainable development.

3. The North must act to improve the trading prospects of developing As the environment secretary, Michael Howard, has repeatedly argued, foreign exchange earned through trade is far more important to the South than aid. Yet tariff and non-tariff barriers deprive Third World exporters of an estimated \$75 billion a year - equiva-

lent to 3 per cent of their GNP. Of course, such reforms will impose costs on the developed world. But these pale into insignificance against the price which will be paid by future generations, in the North and South alike, for failing to invest now in a sustainable future. What is Oxfam, 274 Banbury Road, Oxford. June S. From Mr Stuart Sexton Sir, If money promised at the Earth

in Rio is an act of political statesman-

ship to persuade its northern part-

ners of this simple fact.

DAVID BRYER, Director.

Yours sincerely,

summit to alleviate global warming is to be truly effective, and not just a sop to poorer nations, it has to be spent on nuclear energy. That is the only long-term effective way to reduce world productions of CO<sub>2</sub>, believed to be the single greatest

cause of global warming. That extra CO2 in the atmosphere comes mainly from burning coal, oil and gas in order to generate electricity. Other sources of electric power hydro, wind, wave, sun - are never likely to produce more than 20 per cent of the world's needs. The remaining 80 per cent required north and south, both in the developed and developing world, can only be met by burning fossil fuels, with attendant CO2 pollution, or by nuclear power with no such pollution (and, properly managed, no radi-ation pollution either).

The USA, Britain and others should spend the money on cooperative research to produce the next generation of nuclear fission power plants; to make such plants available to the developing world at prices they can afford; and to fund longer-term research towards replacing nuclear fission with nuclear fusion power generation within the next 50 years.

Yours faithfully, STUART SEXTON (Director, Education Unit), Warlingham Park School. Chelsham Common. Warlingham, Surrey. June 8.

#### School admissions

From Mr B. W. Sherratt

Sir, Your editorial, "Opting for what?" (May 28), having made the point that over-subscribed schools will have to ration their admissions by some objective method, then makes a quantum leap with the assertion that "for schools this means testing" as a means to "an insidious piecemeal re-introduction of selection". One would have hoped that editorials would be more tightly argued.

grant-maintained school - an urban comprehensive of more than 2.000 pubils with a standard number of 406 (for September, 1992 there were 630 choices) - is taken word for word from that of the education authority. Rationing of admissions in most GM schools will be determined by the as-the-crow-flies distance from the school principle, the

sibling principle, and not by testing. In our case, places for September, 1992 were allocated on October 5. 1991, at which stage the school had no details regarding the ability of

#### Outside the normal From Dr Nicholas Humphrev

Sir, Having written that "There is much evidence for the existence of telepathy", Bernard Levin (June 4) proceeds to provide a living demonstration of it. How else can we explain his amazing ability to characterise (and caricature) the opinions of Nicholas Humphrey - a man he has never met or corresponded with?

I am sorry to spoil his fun. But I may as well say for the record that I do not "behave as though all mysteries, large and small, are either already solved or very shortly will be". The "impertinence" is surely not mine in making such a silly claim, but his in ever supposing I might

I recognise, at least as well as Levin (possibly better), how far we are from understanding the workings of the human mind. But, when faced by evidence of paranormal powers, I, unlike Levin, am inclined to be more curious about their natural meaning than reverent about their supernatural one. Since he and I both admire Sir

Thomas Browne, may I remind him

#### Cambridge traffic

the unspeakably ugly modern architectural developments permitted in the historic heart of Cambridge to appreciate the folly of some of the decisions taken over the years by the city council. However, the latest move to ban all bicycle and motor traffic from the city centre (report and leading article, June 2) must rank as one of its more extraordinary decisions. As we residents know to our cost,

Yours faithfully.

MICHAEL SPRIGGS. 63 Glisson Road. Cambridge. June 2.

children to whom places had been

offered. The suggestion that GM schools will be unable to organise the range of services currently supplied by their LEA is absurd: there is plenty of current evidence to the contrary, and at Great Barr we have not only replaced but also improved upon those services.

Finally, as head of a comprehensive taking the (almost) full ability range (Birmingham has its grammar schools), I must object to your assertion that services to children with special needs will suffer.

GM status, schools of all types are required to state their intended provision for pupils with special needs. Most will wish to demonstrate that with GM status they will be able to provide such pupils with a much improved service, both in terms of staffing and resources.

Yours faithfully. BRIAN SHERRATT (Headmaster), Great Barr Grant-Maintained School,

Aldridge Road, Great Barr, Birmingham 44. June 4.

#### of Browne's comment upon the human capacity for self-delusion: We carry within us the wonders that we seek without us. All Africa and her prodigies are within us."

Yours sincerely NICHOLAS HUMPHREY. 33a Chalcot Square, N1.

From Mr Seweryn Chomet

Sir. It is odd that a distinguished student of human nature such as Mr Bernard Levin should expect scientists to be less opinionated, less prejudiced and indeed less human than anyone else.

There is, however, one difference: scientists measure things. And if Mr Levin can supply a single verifiable measurement in support of the paranormal, I shall be glad to eat, in public, the pink tie I saw him sporting in Marylebone High Street the other day (or replace it at my own expense with something more fetching). Yours hopefully. SEWERYN CHOMET,

King's College. Department of Physics, Strand, WC2.

From Mr Michael Spriggs Sir. One has only to look at some of

want to.

Cambridge's chronic traffic problems have been caused by cars, not bicycles. This ban, like all previous despairing attempts to ease congestion, will simply shift the burden to other parts of Cambridge. Meanwhile, the freedom to cycle through this still beautiful city, a quintessential feature of undergraduate life and a valued advantage for the city resident, has been removed at a stroke.

From Councillor David Howarth Sir. Your editorial may have in-

advertently misled some readers into thinking that large numbers of pedestrians are being mown down by cyclists in Cambridge city centre. In fact, Cambridgeshire County

Council's accident statistics show that on average only three pedestrians per year are injured by bicycles in the streets affected by the new traffic ban. Moreover, in the overwhelming majority of these cases the police judge that the blame for the accident lies with the pedestrian. not with the cyclist. The same figures show that about

six pedestrians per year are injured in the affected streets by motor vehicles, but in most of these cases the fault lies with the driver. There is a case for more restrictions on motor vehicles, but not for banning bicycles. Yours faithfully. DAVID HOWARTH

(Liberal Democrat), Leader of the Opposition, Cambridge City Council. The Guildhall, Cambridge. June 2.

#### Sharp encounter with Palace

From Mr Anthony Holden

Sir. It is nonsense to suggest that the royal family is incapable of defend-ing itself when it chooses.

My 1988 biography of the Prince of Wales — serialised, like Andrew Morton's book about the Princess, in The Sunday Times — contained passages of which the prince did not approve.

Via a public relations consultant. Belinda Harley, now a member of his private staff, he arranged for a Palace spokesman to denounce my book in his name on the front page of The Observer - which did not see fit. given its source, to offer me any right

There followed two weeks of trial by tabloid, and loss of earnings as editors grew anxious about their knighthoods.

Among the charges against me was that I had not attempted to interview the spokesman in question. That night, 12.93 million Britons saw me interviewing him in an ITV documentary I had made to mark the prince's 40th birthday. Much good did it do me in the face of a

royally-authorised tabloid onslaught. On seeking legal advice, with a view to suing the Prince of Wales for defamation, I was told that I had a prima facie case - but that the process would be ruinously expensive, and that no jury in the land would take my side against the

Prince of Wales. So I decided to suffer in silence. and henceforth write biographies of people with less power to inflict unjust damage on my reputation.

My only consolation, like Morton. was that my book sold out next day. Yours etc., ANTHONY HOLDEN, 5 Ravenscourt Square, W6.

## Malta's Siege Bell

From the Chairman of the

June 9.

Arts Council Sir. I had the privilege at the end of last month to be at the dedication ceremony performed by the Queen for the Siege Bell of Malta. This extraordinary and massive monu-ment, created by Michael Sandle, is sited at the entrance to the Grand

Harbour of Valletta. Not only is it a contemporary memorial to the bravery and endurance of the Maltese who suffered greatly in the three-year siege, and of the Royal Navy and Merchant Marine seamen who brought sup-

to the dead. Today we find it hard to create memorials. They may bring out confusing and sometimes conflicting sentiments, but the sheer scale and brilliance of what Michael Sandle and the people of Malta have created, through the work of the George Cross Island Association, should remind us that perhaps we need them more than ever. As Donne put it: "No man is an Island, entire of itself ... Any man's death dimin-

ishes me." That the British press should have largely ignored the dedication ceremony and this important and beautiful memorial is a sad reflection of our times, an injustice, and one that does it no credit.

Yours faithfully, PALUMBO, Chairman, Arts Council. 14 Great Peter Street, SW1.

#### Old flame

From Mr Richard Coleman

Sir. Later editions of your issue of June 6 carry an excellent photo of a Greek "priestess" carrying a flame, kindled you say on Mount Olympus. Surely not kindled on that wild and remote mountain, but in the sanctuary of Zeus at Olympia, in southem Greece, where the games were held for so many centuries.

A classical sleuth would note in the background columns of the temple of Hera which is in that sanctuary. Allseeing Zeus and jealous Hera would not be amused.

Sincerely yours. RICHARD COLEMAN. 52 Falstaff Avenue. Earley, Reading, Berkshire.

#### 1642 and all that

From Professor Keith Davies

Sir, Your newspaper has just distributed a wall-chart in which you tell us that Oliver Cromwell was "a small businessman turned soldier". It is excellent that the present climate makes it possible at last for this to be

But we need more facts. Was Oliver provoked by late-paying customers? Unreliable suppliers? The business rate in Huntingdon? Harassment by the Revenue? The behaviour of the tabloid press?

Yours faithfully. KEITH DAVÍES. University of Reading. Department of Law. Old Whiteknights House. Whiteknights. PO Box 217.

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# **COURT CIRCULAR**

WINDSOR CASTLE June 9: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh left Heathrow Airport, London this morning for a State Visit to France.

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness were received at the Airport by the Earl of Airlie KT (Lord Chamberlain), the Managing Director, Heathrow Airport (Mr Michael Roberts). Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Greater London (Field Marshal the Lord Bramall KG), the Minister-Counsellor, French Embassy (Monsieur Patrick Villemur) and the Chief Executive, British Airports

Authority (Sir John Egan).
The following are in attendance: The Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs (the Rt Hon Douglas Hurd MP) and the Hon Mrs Hurd, the Countess of Airlie, the Lady Susan Hussey, the Rt Hon Sir Robert Fellowes, Rear Admiral Sir Paul Greening, Mr Robin Janvrin, Wing Commander David Walker, Brigadier Miles Hunt-Davis and Mr Richard Gozney. The Lady Susan Hussey has succeeded the Hon Mary Morri-son as Lady in Waiting to The

BUCKINGRAM PALACE June 9: The Princess Royal, Patron, SENSE, the National Deaf-Blind and Rubella Association, this morning attended the launch of "the Lincolnshire Project" Report, the Lawn, Union Road, Lincoln and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Lincolnshire (Captain Henry

Nevile). Her Royal Highness. Patron. SENSE, the National Deaf-Blind and Rubella Association, opened the Clare Sensory Support Centre and the Clare Therapy Centre this afternoon at Clare School. South Park Avenue, Norwich and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Norfolk (Mr Timo-

thy Colman). The Princess Royal then opened the new buildings at Banham Marshalls College, Mill Road, Banham.

Her Royal Highness subsequently opened Banham Com-Centre, Kenninghall Road, Banham. Mrs Andrew Feilden was in

The Princess Royal this evening attended the TRANSAID (Transportation Expertise for Save the Children) Board Dinner at the Headquarters of the British Railways Board, Euston House, Eversholt Street, London NW1 and was received by the Chair-

The Duke of Edinburgh cele-

Mr Leonard Badham, former

vice-chairman, J. Lyons and Com-

pany, 69; Mr W.G. Barr, former

rector, Exeter College, Oxford, 75: Mr Saul Bellow, writer, 77:

the Right Rev L.W. Brown, for-

mer Bishop of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich, 80; Sir Bryan

College, Oxford, 61: Sir Christopher Collett, former Lord

Mayor of London, 61; Sir

Brinsley Ford, former chairman.

National Art-Collections Fund, 84; Mr Justice Peter Gibson, 58:

brates his birthday today.

man, British Rail Board (Sir Bob

Lieutenant Colonel Peter Gibbs was in attendance. CLARENCE HOUSE

June 9: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother this morning visited Queens' College, Cambridge. In the afternoon Her Majesty visited Bridget's, the Shaftesbury Society's hostel in Cambridge.

The Hon Mrs Rhodes and Sir Alastair Aird were in attendance. The Lady Angela Oswaid has succeeded Ruth, Lady Fermoy as Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Eliza-beth, The Queen Mother.

KENSINGTON PALACE June 9: The Prince of Wales departed from Royal Air Force Northolt this afternoon for a visit to Denmark.

Lieutenant Commander Robert

Fraser, RN was in attendance. KENSINGTON PALACE June 9: The Princess Margaret. Countess of Snowdon, President, the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, was present this evening at a Reception to mark the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Society's Westminster Branch, held in the College Gardens of the Dean's Yard, Westminster Abbey.

Mrs Jane Stevens was in YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE

June 9: The Duchess of Kent this afternoon visited Glaxo Manufacturing Services, Ware, Hertford-

Mrs Julian Tomkins was in

The Duke of Kent, President of the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, this evening at-tended a dinner in honour of Mr Dan Maskell in the Debenture Lounge at the All England Club. Church Road. Wimbledon. Church Road, London SW 19.

Dinners

Painters' Hall to celebrate "colour

and its place in the arts". The

other speakers were Baroness O'Cathain, the principal guest, and Mr Peter Luscombe. Others present included:

The Director of the National Portrait Gallery, the Director of the National Art Collection Fund, the President of the New English Art Cub. the President of the Royal Watercolour Society and the President of the National Federation of Painting and Decurating Contractors.

Mr Sydney Chapman, MP, was host to the United and Cecil Club

at dinner at the House of Com-

mons last night. Sir Marcus Fox, MP, chairman, presided and the

others speakers were the principal

guest, Mr Simon Jenkins, Editor of The Times, and the Earl of

The Hon Peter Brooke, CH, MP,

accompanied by Mrs Brooke, was the guest of honour at a dinner of

the Two Cities Dining Club held last night at the St Ermin's Hotel. Mr Kenneth Dibben, chairman,

The Lord Mayor, accompanied

by Mr Sheriff John Perring. was

entertained by Mr Rodney Galpin, President of the Overseas

Bankers Club, at a luncheon held

vesterday at the club. Among

The Governor of the Bank of England, Sir Terence Burns and Mr Eddle George.

Two Cities Dining Club

Luncheon

those present were

Overseas Bankers Club

United and Cecil Chib

Commander Roger Walker, RN was in attendance. THATCHED HOUSE LODGE

RICHMOND PARK June 9: Princess Alexandra. President of the Royal Humane Society, this afternoon presented the 1991 Stanhope Gold Medal to WPC Lesley Moore, Metropolitan Police, at St James's Palace, London SW1.

Her Royal Highness. Patron. and Sir Angus Ogilvy this evening attended a Musical Soirée in aid of the Mental Health Foundation at St James's Palace, London SW1.

The Lady Mary Mumford was

Mr Graham Carleton Greene

publisher, 56; Mr R.P. Halward,

William Harris, civil engineer, 80; Mr Guy Harwood, racehorse

trainer, 53; Sir Arthur Hawkins,

former chairman, CEGB. 79:

Mrs Phyllis Hetzel, former presi-

dent, Lucy Cavendish College, Cambridge, 74; Dr Polly Hill, anthropologist, 78; Mr Lionel Jeffries, actor, 66; Sir Geoffrey

Otton, civil servant, 65; Mr Phil

Tuck, jockey, 36; Major-General Michael Walsh, former Chief Scout, 65; the Ven C. Witton-

wernor, Leeds Prison, 41; Sir

# Memorial service Painter-Stainers' Company Mr Carl Fisher, Master of the Painter-Stainers' Company, was host at a dinner held last night at

Lord Havers The Queen was represented by Viscount St Davids at a service of thanksgiving for the life of Lord Havers held on Monday at the Temple Church. The Prince and Princess of Wales were represented by Lord Hallsham of St Marylebone, KG, CH, Princess Michael of Kent by Colonel Michael Farmer and Princess Alexandra by the Hon Sir Angus Ogilvy.

The Master of the Temple officiated. The Hon Philip Havers, son, read the lesson and the Hon Nigel Havers, son, gave a reading. Lord Griffiths, Trea-surer of the Inner Temple, gave an address.

The Lord Chancellor and Lady Mackay of Clashfern attended. The Prime Minister was represented by Lord Wakeham, Leader of the House of Lords. The Lord Chief Justice, the Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland, the Master of the Rolls, the Attorney-General and Lady Lyell, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, OM, and the Remembrancer of the City of London attended. The Secretary of State for Northern Ireland was represented by Lady Mayhew and the Ambassador of Panama by Mr E.A. Morales, accompanied by Mrs Morales. Among others

Lady Havers (widow), the Hon Mrs
Phillip Havers and the Hon Mrs Nigel
Havers (daughters-in-law), Holly Havers. Daniel Havers and Kate Havers
(grandchildren), Mr and Mrs Anthony
Havers and Councillor and Mrs David
Havers (brothers and sisters-in-law),
Lord Justice Butler-Sloss (sixer), Miss

Frances Builer-Sloss, Mr Robert Builer-Sloss, Mr William Buder-Sloss, Mr Christopher Havers, Mr David Havers, Miss Caroline Havers

Skirl of the pipes: the massed bands of the Royal Air Force rehearsing beating retreat in Horseguards Parade, central London.

Miss Caroline Havers

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## Over 400 men including 160 musicians from four RAF bands took part. The ceremony continues tonight and tomorrow night

Marriages

The Marquis of Granby and Miss E.L. Watkins

The marriage took place on Saturday, June 6, at Belvoir Castle Chapel, of the Marquis of Granby, eldest son of the Duke and Duchess of Rutland, of Belvoir Castle, Grantham, and Miss Emma Watkins, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Watkins, of Heartsease, Knighton, Powys. The Rev A. Clayton and the Rev P. Walton officiated.

The bride, who was given away by her father, was attended by Miss Victoria Powell-Blanche. Lucy Ramsay, Louisa Marshall, Zinia Welby, Sophie Russell, Stephanie Sweeny and Masters Edward Owens and Liam Davies Mr Charles Welby was best man. A reception was held at Belvoir

being spent abroad. Mr N.G.P.S. Rickards and Signorina C.M.A. Faggioli The marriage took place on June 6, 1992, in Switzerland, of Nicholas, youngest son of the late Mr and Mrs Edward Rickards, and Clio, only daughter of the late Dott. Wilson Faggioli and of Signora Tina Faggioli.

Cranfield Institute of Technology

Honorary Degrees of Doctor of 1992 on: General Sir Peter de la Billière, Professor R.F. Coleman. Mr R.B. Horton, Mr Y. Kume. Sir Arthur Marshall, Sir Peter Thompson, and Sir Crispin

#### Forthcoming marriages

OR JOHN

BROWNER

Mr D.W.N. Aston and Miss S.P. Potter
The engagement is announced between David, younger son of the late Mr John Asson, FRCS.

and of Mrs Astur. of Northwood. Middlesex, and Susan, only daughter of Mr Walter Potter and the late Mrs Potter, of Stamford. Mr H.W. Beeley and Miss S.C. Felstead

The engagement is announced between Hugh, only son of Mr and Mrs George Beeley, of Harrford, Cheshire, and Sarah, daughter of Gerald and Joanna Felstead, of Lewester.

Mr C.D. Brant and Miss S.M. Potter The engagement is announced between Christopher David, son of Mr and Mts C.T. Brant, of the Old School House, Horout, Fairford, Gloucestershire, and Sarah Margaret, daughter of the late Lieutenant Colonel B.J. Potter and of Mrs B.J. Potter, of Heathdene Road, Wallington,

Surrey. Mr N.R.T. Gethin and Miss T.C. Partice-Jones The engagement is announced between Tristram, eldest son of Mr and Mrs A.M. Gethin, of Loose, Kent, and Tavia, daughter of Mr Ronald Jones, of Evander, Transvaal, South Africa, and Mrs Gillian Jones, of Caerleon,

Mr M.J. Hopkins and Miss R.L. Ford

Gwent

between Mark Julian, youngest son of the late Mr William Hopkins and of Mrs Gwendolen Rehecra Louise, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Jack Elme Ford, of Pembridge Court, Cheltenhan

Mr R.C. Mitchell-Heggs and Miss C.A. North The engagement is announced between Raymond, son of the late Dr and Mrs Gordon Mitchell-

Heggs, of Henley-on-Thames, Oxon, and Carole Ann, daughter of the late Mr John North and of Mrs John North, of Monks Risborough, Buckinghamshire. Dr M. Parkes and Mrs R.A. Turner

The engagement is announced between Giles, widower of Jenny, J and Rosemary Anne, widow Brigadier Bill Turner.

and Miss K.A. Barrett The engagement is announced between Barnaby David, third son of Mr and Mrs Dauglas Scott, of Wells Folly, Moreton in Marsh, Gloucestershire, and Kathryn Ann. elder daughter of Mrs Jeanette Enfield, of Bridgend, Mid-Glamorgan.

Mr D.A. Snow and Miss A.A. Hulcatt-James The engagement is announced between David, younger son of Mr and Mrs Frank Snow, of Newmarket, and Averina, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Thomas Huleatt-James, of Woofferton. Shropshire.

Service dinner 9th/12th Royal Lancers

Major-General G.M.G. Swindells, Colonel of the 9th/12th Royal Lancers (Prince of Wales's) presided at the annual dinner held last night at the Cavalry and Guards Club.

**Appointment** 

The Rev Paul Ferguson, chaplain and sacrist of Westminster Abbey has been appointed precentor. He will be installed on July 20.

## Telephone 071 481 4000

Today's birthdays

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# Those who have put their trust in God will understand that he is true, and the faithful will attend upon him in love, they are his chosen, and grace and mercy will be theirs. Wisdom of Solomon 5: 9 REB BARKER - On June 2nd 1992, to Nicola thee Birtwistle and Thoby, a son.

BARKER - On June 2nd 1992. to Nicola (nee Birtwisile) and Tint. a son. George Frederick BOOKER - On June 5th, at the Humana Hospital Wellington, to Michelle and Adam, a son, Arlel Hayden.

BROCKLEBANK-FOWLER
On June 5th 1992 to Victoria
onec Richards; and Tim. a
daughter, Oilvia Stephanie one Richards) and daughter. Offs to Stephanie.

CLEGNAC • On June Sth. at the grande Duchesse Charlotte hospital. Luxembourg. to Visten and Jacques, a daughter. Jutiette Denise, a visier for Sophie.

DAVIES • On June 2nd, at Nairobl Hospital, to Sylvial and Clyn. a son. brother the brother date of John. Susan and Chartes the brother date of John Susan and

Joseph, a brother for Annie STEWART - On June 3rd, at

St Mary's Hospital, Paddinglon, to Retko and Hugh, a daughter. Sabrina Kyoko Arabella, a sister for Calriona and Edwina. THAIN - See Lenon.

THOMSON - On June 6th 1992, to Alice (nee Godfrey) and Rupert, a daughter, Tessa Amye.

DIAMOND **ANNIVERSARIES** BELL:REEKIE - On June 10th

1932 al Broken Hill, Northern Rhodesla (now Kabwe Zanubia), Christopher lo Jean Kilgour, now at Bexhill.

DAVIES - On June 2nd, at Narrobl Hospital, to Sylvia, Howe and Giyn. a you, Henry Lifeweilyn. a hrother for Thomas How DINLOP On June 2nd 1992, at Queen Mary's University Hospital. Rochambion. to Lucia Inec Murfilli and Andrew: twin daughters. Catriona and Rhiannon EARLE - On June 11, at Surrey and Commissions to Cancer Relief Marcus. a daughter. Lucinda Kale: Lucie' KAZOLIDES - On June 13, at the Humana Hospital Wettington, to Karima and Kostas. a son and daughter Taki and Miriam.

LANGE - On June 3rd, at the Humana Hospital Wettington, to Karima and Kostas. a son and daughter Taki and Miriam.

LANGE - On June 3rd, at the Humana Hospital Wettington, to Karima and Kostas. A son and Giyne and Marcus. A daughter. Nina Charlotte to Penetope (nee Tham) and Barnaby. a daughter. Flora Catherino Dyne, a sister for India.

OAKLEY - On June 8th. to Susan and Anthony. 4 son, James Anthony Leigh, a brother for Jessica.

PUMFREY - On June 3rd, at Rectory Farm. to Carla and Garden. Done 3rd, at the Gorgina tnee Maithewst and Mark. a daughter. Altre Rose, a sister for Marta and Innoceta. Altre Rose

FRENCH - On Whit Tuesday, June 9th. Grace Hilda, beloved wife of Basil, mother of Simon and Anne and grandmother to Alan, Paula, Michael, Lawrence, Kale and Eliot With Chriattan courage and dignity at superbly caring Cleeve Court Nursing Home, near Bristol, and ever graileful thenis to the Wrington Vaie Practice of Doctors. Requiem Eucharist at 12 noon on June 12th at Christ Church, Redhill, near Bristol, followed by the funeral service and interment. Thanksgiving donalions if desired to Christ Church, Redhill, Enquiries to Keith C Britton and Son F/D. 10 High Street, Yalton. Bristol.

FOSTER - On June 8th, all home. Reginald Henry (R.H. Fosier Lid.). Funeral Service at Addershol Cremaiorium on Friday June 12th at 10am. Family Nowers unity please. donations to The kingston Trust or the R.N.L.l. c/o Alexander & Dry. 1 Seal Rd., Basingsloke.

HALLIDAY - On June 7th, suddenly at home in Beaconsfield, Percy, aged 85. Cremation, no flowers,

HARDING - On June 8th
1992. quietly at home.
Jessie, greatly loved wife of
Denys. Privale cremation.
No flowers please. Donations
if wished to the RAHERE
Association. SI Bariholomew's Hospital, London

HOLROYD - On Friday June 8th, suddenty but peacefully at 35 years of age, Nicholas Alfred, MA (Oxon), MSC of 1 Abbey Drive Tooling and Lloyds Bank London, beloved son of Robert and Patricta Hofroyd of Tunbridge Welbs and brother of Robert, Angela and Stephanie, Uncle to Sophle Patrick, Beltina, Sara, Loudse and Samuel. We shall all miss him very dearly. Funeral Service at Tonbridge School, Kent, Quad Chapel at 11 30 am on Tuesday June 16th followed by committal at Tunbridge Wels

al Tunbridge Wells Crematorium at 12.30 pm.

Family and friends welcome.
Flowers by Monday 5 pm to
E.R. Hickmott and Son, 41
Grove Hill Road. Tumbridge
Wells or donalions to British
Heart Foundation, LOVELACE - On June 4th 1992, peacefully in Brighton General Hospital. Murici, dearly beloved wife to Berry and wonderful loving mother to Stephen and her laie daughter Sally, whom she has now louned, Private cremation service to take place al. Worthing Crematorium, Findon, Sussex, on Friday June 12th at 11 am. Flowers to Chalcraft Ltd., High Street, Steyning, Sussex.

LUBBOCK - On June 6th 1992. Beatrice (the author Bea Howel. widow of Mark H. Lubbock. at Vicarage Cate Nursing Home. aged 95. Funeral at Golders Green Crematorium. 2.15 pm on June 15th.

MOLINEUX JACKSON - On MOUNEUX JACKSON - On June 6th, peacefully. In Bay View Nursing Home, Grange-Over-Sands. Doctor John Molineux Jackson, beloved husband of Margarel. Private cremation. Enquiries Alan J Thompson F/S. Let: (06395) 58732. DEATHS

MURRAY - On May 31st
1992. at St Theresa Convent.
London SW7. Kathleen.
formerly of Bexhillion-Sea.
aged 91 years. Sister of the
late William Murray of
Onstow Square. London
SW7. Funeral at 10 am on
June 12th at the Servite
Church. Futham Road.
London SW10. Enquiries to
Ballard Funerals. 508 Old
Brompton Road. London
SW6. tel: 10711 370-6271.

NIXON - On June 8th suddenly at home. Anne. beloved wife of Lt. Col. John Nixon. M.C., D L., of Hutton Buscel. Scarborough. Funeral enquiries to G. Roberts. 6-8 Sherwood Street. Scarborough. lel: 407231 501027.

NORTH - On the June 6th Gambie. suddenty in Virginia. lot ling husband of Robin. sleptather of Guy and Elike. dearest brother of Victoria and Vera, take of Boldshaves. Woodchurch. Kent. Enquires 0344 25192.

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Anne Gillbanks. peacefully at kimberley House. Salisbury Wife of the late Li. Col. D.I. Owen. O.B E. iRoyal Welch Fusiliers. Much loved mother of John and Davida Devoted grandmother and greal-grandmother. Please, no flowers or letters by request. Cremation private. Donations if desired for Macmillan Nurses to Will Case and Partners. 22 Churchfields Road. Salisbury. Wills.

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OWEN: On June 5th, at home, suddenly but peace fully. Sonia Ross, dearly loved sister of Tigger Holgare and much loved and respected aunt and greelaunt. Funeral al All Saints, Burbage, Mariborough, on Monday June 16th at 11 am

1992, peacefully at Tithe Farm Resi Home, Stoke Poges. Buckinghamshire. Margarel Doreen much loved wife of W.L. (Robin) Robinson of Gerrards Cross. Robinson of Gerrards Cross, Buckinghamshire Pris ale family funeral if desired donations to Gerrards Cross and Chalfonts Red Cross. C/o Mrs M Robertson. Bramcole. North Park. Gerrards Cross. Buckinghamshire No jetters please.

TOOSEY - On June 7th, Ruth Mary, widow of Arthur, Memorial Service al St Bartholomew's Church, Great Barrow, Cheshire, on June 12th at 5 pm. Aff enquiries to 108291 733808.

WADDY - On June 6th,
Natalle Dora, dearly loved by
her family and friends.
Funeral on June 17th
2.15pm. Si Mary's, Mortlake
High Street. Family flowers.
Donations if desired to St
Maritins-in-the-Field. Social
Care Unit, Trafalgar Square.
Lundon WC2

WARDEN - On June 7th, at home in Ripon. North Yorkshire. Eric James. aged 66 years Dearly loved father of Edward and John. Service and committal at The Leper Chapel, Ripon. on Friday June 12th at 2 pm. followed by cremation at Stonefall. Harrogale Family flowers only please Donations if desired to Ripon Cathedral Restoration Fund. a plate will be provided. Enquiries to F Lowley & Son Ltd. 13 Low Skeligate. Ripon. lel: 10765: 602294 WARDEN - On June 7th, at

DEATHS

YORK - On June 8th, al Chrisichurch Hospital, Dorsel, after an timess bravely borne. Doreen, dearly beloved wife of Alfred, Funeral al Bourne mouth.

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WILLIAMS - On June 5th 1992, peacefully. Don's Millicent, aged 88 years, beloved wife of the late Frederick and dearly loved mother of Paul and mother in-law of Nelly and grandmother of Mark. Barbara, Annabel and David and great-grandmother of Anna and Jerry Requirem Mass at 2 pm Monday, June 15th at Holy Cross and All Saints. Warley, followed by burtal at 5t Mary the Virgin. Great Warley Family flowers only, but donations if desired to The House of Prayer. Abbotswick. Naveelockside, Brentwood. CM14 5SH.

WILSON - On June 7th 1992, peacefully in Kuala Lumpur. David Clement Loubet, formerty of the Malayan Civil Service Greatly missed by his beloved wife Zahrah, and all his family and friends. Messages 10 29 Jalan 2/73. Taman Sa Bandaraya, K.L. Malaysia.

MEMORIAL SERVICES HICKMAN - A Memorial Ser-tice for Michael, who died May 22nd al Kirtlington, will be held al St James's, Piccadilly, on Wednesday June 24th al 11 am. PANUFNIK - A Memorial Service to give thanks for the life and work of Sir Andrzet Panufnik, Hon RAM... Ph.D. .. Knight's Cross of the Order of Potonia Resilitua, will be held at the Oratory Church. Bromston Road. London

IN MEMORIAM -PRIVATE DISLEY - Robert James died June 1991, aged 63. With me always, your widow Cynthia PARKES - Roberta Oonagh Petrie (nee Carew) 10/6/86. Remembered with affection, particularly this day lan and the animals

Brompion Road. London SW7. at 11 am on Tuesday July 7th

LEGAL NOTICES

ARROWANE LIMITED

(In Liquidation)

TAKE NOTICE THAT I. Niget
John Hamilton-Smith of Morion
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House, 47 Holywell Hill. St
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was appointed Liquidator of
Arrowaze Limited by a Resolution of a Meeting of the company's creditors held on 28th May
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DATED this 4th day
of June 1992
Niget John Hamilton-Smith,
Liquidator

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THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GRVEN
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WORD WATCHING

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(a) A bird not fully fledged, from quill, Low German quile a feather: "O sir, your chin is but a quilter yet, you will be most majestical when it is full fledge." HOUSAGE (c) A fee paid for housing goods: "Housage is a fer that one pays for setting up any stuff in a house, either for a carrier, or at a wharf, or such like."

from the French for giving the lie: "The elaborate affectation of candour which distinguishes the official dementi." PEDETENTOUS (b) Proceeding step by step, advancing cautiously, from the Latin pes, pedem a foot + tendere to stretch polysyllabic Carlyle: "That pedetentous pace and pedetentous mind in which it behaves the wise and Car

# marriage OBITUARIES

# CDR JOHN **BROMAGE**

Commander John Henry Bromage, DSO, DSC and bar, a leading submarine captain in the Royal Navy during the second world war, died on May 29 aged war, then on was born on August 18, 1915.

JOHN Bromage was awarded the DSO after his S-class submarine Sahib attacked a U-boar at long range near Corsica in January 1943 and sank it after firing a salvo of three torpedoes. His own freedom, however, was shortly to be curtailed. He subsequently spent two years from 1943 to 1945 as a prisoner-of-war, ending up in a camp at Lu-beck in North Germany, near the yard where his U-boat

victim had been built. Bromage was capuned of the Italian navy when Sahib was sunk by depth charges in 1043 after targetlate April 1943 after targeting an enemy convoy near Sicily. The incident brought to an end a profitable partnership between Bromage and his boat which had harassed enemy shipping in the Mediterranean for nine

months. After being held in Italy following his capture. Bromage was moved to the Malag (naval camp) near Bremen, where he was involved in the drama of "Albert RN". This was among



the more daring escape plans of its kind, subsequently " Halrania made famous by a post-war film.

The naval officers built a dummy sailor who literally stood in for an escaping pris-oner as they marched back in columns of fives after bath parades. With a papier maché head and an overcoat serve thaner draped over a coathanger, "Albert" managed somehow to deceive the German guards as they counted the PoWs before them. Meanwhile the sailor he was understudying was effecting his planned geraway via the bath

house. Bromage himself, however. never made it. He spent ... much of his time digging . - tunnels towards the wire (bed boards were used to help reinforce the roofs in the sandy soil) but most of these were

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John Bromage was born in - Calcutta where his father was an inspector of police. But his family soon moved to Britain where his mother died in the Spanish 'flu epidemic of 1919. He went to prep school in Kent, thence to Dartmouth in 1929 — not because of any ambition to go to sea but because it seemed a sensible solution to the problem of

what to do with him. He joined the submarine service eight years later and was promptly posted to the 1st flotilla in the Mediterra-

Today's royal

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nean, which is where he was serving when the second world war broke out. He was then moved back to this country, serving in the S-boats Snapper and Sealion before passing his captain's course and taking over an old first world war boat, H33. After several months gaining experience he commissioned the newly built P212 — later christened Sahib when Chur-

chill insisted that submarines

should be given names as well

as numbers. In August 1942 Bromage returned to the Mediterranean with his new boat, to carry out a highly successful sequence of patrols, first from Malta and subsequently from Algiers. These were not with-out their share of depressing setbacks. In November Bromage attacked an enemy transport, first with gunfire then with several torpedoes -one of which struck the

blacked-out vessel in the hold.

Only when the crew saw the number of survivors and started picking up English-speaking sailors, did they ap-preciate fully what had happened. The 1,500-ton freighter had been carrying British prisoners, who had been confined to the hold which Sahib had hit. Not only that but the subsequent rescue operation had to be suspended when Sahib itself was threatened. Bromage and his crew, however, were later cleared of all blame by

the Admiralty.

Bromage commanded the submarine Thule in the late 1940s, based mainly in and around Londonderry, then was posted to Sydney on what was to be his favourite tour after the war. Britain had lent the Australians the 4th submarine flotilla, consisting of four boats - one based in Singapore and three in Sydney. Although an Australian captain was in command, Bromage acted as his professional adviser, as together they trained the Australians in underwater warfare.

He then returned to Portsmouth, where he worked with the navy's reserve fleet for three years, seiling surplus warships to friendly powers around the world. After that he went to Singapore, in charge of naval salvage operations, before moving to a similar posting on the Clyde. That was to be his swanson: before he left the navy in

Bromage worked for the next 15 years for the Ministry of Defence, carrying out "posinve vetting" checks on per-sonnel, mainly on entrants to the submarine service in the southwest.

A tall, athletic, humorous man, he was at his happiest at the "sharp end" of the fleet. He detested all bureaucracy and "bull" and had few ambitions to reach flag rank. Off duty, he was a good cricketer and tennis player and, after finally retiring in 1980, launched himself into village life in Devon.

He married his first wife Avé in 1939 when Britain was preparing for war - they spent the first night of their honeymoon on board a warship. She died in 1983, however.

and he is survived by their son and three daughters and by his second wife, Barbara, whom he married two years ago.

THE Archbishop of Canter-

# LORD FERRIER

Lord Ferrier, a former Deputy Speaker of the House of Lords who was one of the first life peers, has died aged 92. He was born on January 29, 1900.

LORD Ferrier was an old India hand whose robust views, frequently expressed in the upper house, could be traced to his life under the Raj and his upbringing in the Church of Scotland. He was against pornography, Rhode-sian sanctions, voting rights for 18 year olds, homosexual law reform and many aspects of the BBC. He was a vigorous supporter of the poll tax, sporting links with South Africa, field sports in Britain and big game hunting

His clubs were the Beef-steak and the Guards and Cavalry in London and, in Edinburgh, of course, the New Club. It was while he was standing outside his club in Princes Street that a load fell from a lorry and narrowly missed him, converting him in an instant into a formidable campaigner for the Edin-burgh relief road. Victor Ferrier Noel-Paton.

who later became one of Harold Macmillan's initial batch of life peers created under the 1958 Act, was the son of the secretary of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce and a subsequent director general of commercial intelligence to the government of India. Ferrier was sent to Scotland to be educated at Cargilfield and the Edinburgh Academy and in time for him to volunteer for the Royal Engineers towards the end of the first world war.

His father had died in 1914 but he was determined to follow him and make his name in India and by 1920 he was established in the

commercial and industrial firm of Kellick, Nixon and Co in Bombay. This city was to be his base for more than 30 years. He served on its legisla-tive council, became a trustee of the Port of Bombay and was a prominent figure in the Bombay Caledonian Society.

During the second world war he was commanding officer of the Bombay Light Horse, by then a semi-mechanised regiment operating as the Bombay Light Patrol.

He stayed on after independence in 1947, becoming chairman of Kellick Industries. He was appointed president of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce, the organisation of which his father had

been secretary for more than 40 years, and later he was vice-president of the Associated Chambers of Commerce in India. He had previously been a director of the old Imperial Bank of India and chairman of the Federation of Electricity Undertakings of India and the Indian Roads and Transport Development

Association. But in 1951 he decided to end his long association with the city of Bombay and return

to his home city of Edin-burgh. Scotland provided no retirement, however. Almost at once he took on new posts. He was appointed chairman of several companies, including Edinburgh Pharmaceurical Industries, and director of two leading insurance companies. He was to become a member of the Royal Company of Archers and Deputy Lieutenant of the county of Lanark. But just when it seemed that he would spend the rest of his life as a member of the Edinburgh establish-ment the Life Peerages Act was passed and Macmillan nominated him for a seat in the Lords. Ferrier's life now entered its third phase.

He was a great success in the Lords. He served as Deputy Speaker and chairman of committees. He spoke on a stream of subjects. He was a regular attender for nearly 30

years. He was a πotable defender of field sports while aggressive animal rights campaigners were the subjects of his particular scorn. He thought some forms of homosexual law reform would be a charter for male prostitutes. He sug-gested young people should turn to snuff instead of drugs if they wanted stimulation.

But it was a mistake to think of him as an automatic right-winger. He was a stout defender of the National Health Service and voted against his party to protest against charges for eye tests. He was in favour of electoral reform and a long-term crusader for manipulative therapy.

Ferrier was married in 1932 to Joane Mary, daughter of Sir Gilbert Wiles. another leading figure of the Raj. She died in 1984 and he is survived by their son and three daughters.

# BARRY ERCOLANI

David Barry Ercolani, OBE, former joint manag-ing director of Ercol Furniture, died in London on June 2 aged 71. He was born in High Wycombe on April 22, 1921.

BARRY Ercolani's belief in the furniture industry in the United Kingdom was matched only by his convic-tion that British furniture could be sold abroad. Almost singlehandedly in the 1950s he started a crusade to sell Ercol Furniture throughout Europe, and as far afield as Japan. This was a considerable undertaking for a medi-um sized family firm at a time when exporting was still con-sidered a risky and exceptional venture.

In 1965 Ercolani led a Board of Trade delegation to Tokyo. The visit became a landmark in Ercol's trading with Japan which last year celebrated 25 years with the store group Takashimaya. These achievements earned Ercolani an OBE for service to export in 1976. He had advanced theories on marketing and began to develop "talking circles" with retailers throughout the country and abroad in an endeavour to spread his beliefs.

Furniture was never simply a commodity in Ercolani's eyes. His life was devoted to the idea that it was designed to enhance the quality of life and he took this message to hundreds of retailers from 1945 through to his retirement in 1988.

Barry Ercolani's father, Lucian, was born in a Florentine village, the son of an Italian picture-frame maker who was converted by the Salvation Army. The family was taken to London by evan-gelists in 1898 when Lucian was ten years old and after studying furniture design in London Lucian founded the Ercol company which suc-ceeded in putting a highly

individual stamp on a massmarket product by taking the traditional "Windsor" chair. which had been made in the Chiltern beech-woods for centuries, and using its functional lines as the basis for a whole family of furniture .

Barry Ercolani was educated at Oundle and in 1938 he joined his brother, Lucian junior, in the furniture business that their father had founded in 1920. During the war Barry Ercolani joined the RAF. He flew in the Burma campaign in 159 Squadron as a rear gunner in Liberators before becoming chief gunnery instructor for the RAF in India. After the war the two brothers rejoined their father in the furniture business in High Wycombe and Barry took charge of the company's export drive. He travelled fre-quently to maintain contact with customers and was quick to see the value of equipping Ercol's sales representatives with films, the better to dis-play the virtues of the company's products.

Following in the footsteps of his father and brother, he became Master of the Wor-shipful Company of Furni-ture Makers in 1985. Illhealth forced his retirement from Ercol Furniture in 1988. He is survived by his wife and his three daughters.



which were mentioned in

your obituary of Stephen

Carden, Fairbridge, and the

London Goodenough Trust

for Overseas Graduates, are

not merged but quite sepa-

rate. As director of the latter, I

would pay tribute to Stephen

Carden's remarkable dedica-tion to the well-being of our

750 graduates and families

wealth). He was always keen-

ly interested in all aspects of

their welfare, not least in their

sporting activities - a great

feature of the year was our

cricket match against his own

village XI at Wakes Colne.

His commanding presence

and glorious sense of humour

are acutely missed by our

residents and staff, and by his

fellow governors.

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## **FARAG FODA**

Farag Foda, the Egyptian secularist commentator, was assassinated in Cairo on June 8 aged 47. He was born in the village of Zirqa to the northeast of Cairo in 1945.

FARAG Foda belonged to that rare class of social reformers in the Islamic world who are inspired by modern secularism and dare to speak their mind. They know that they have little chance of surviving to die of old age and yet persevere, constantly aware of the fate of predecesfanatics or by the decrees of governments. Foda was a particularly courageous example of the class and is likely to become more influential after his death.

Born in the village of Zirqa in the province of Domyat to the northeast of Cairo into a relatively affluent family, Foda went to school there and later won a place at Ein Shams University in the capital to study agriculture. After obtaining a doctorate in agro-economics, he set up an agricultural consultancy business and a travel agency, which enabled him to become involved in politics.

His party of choice was the New Wafd (Representative) Party, a nationalist party which had held power under the monarchy in the years of the second



world war and later until it had been made illegal by President Nasser. He quickly became one of the most prominent thinkers of the party, but broke away in protest when it was allowed to contest elections in 1984 by President

Leonard

Alderson

LEONARD Alderson, chair-

man of Cargill International,

SA, has died in Geneva aged

Alderson, who was born in

Britain and graduated from

Cambridge University, be-came a trainee in the grain

Mubarak. The party, which won 57 seats in parliament and became the official opposition, had struck an infor-mal electoral deal with the Muslim Brotherhood, which Foda could not

He subsequently wrote three books on the dangers of a state identified with a particular faith, and became a commentator in October magazine, a periodical named after the Arab-Israeli war of 1973 which enabled Egypt to make peace with Israel Foda believed that any impartial between Islam and Christianity, the other major religion of the Egyptians. In addition, he regularly used strong words of condemnation against the violent wing of Islamic fun-damentalism which had slain so many other reformers, including Rifat al Mahgoub, the parliamentary speaker in 1991 who had also been born in his native village of Zirqa.

In his column, Foda regularly referred to the fundamentalists as "the forces of darkness", and accused them of wanting to restrict the rights of women because they suffered from sexual complexes. He accused them of being obsessed with sex. Foda leaves a wife and four school-age

division of Cargill Inc. one of

the world's largest commod-

ity traders. In 1985 he be-

came head of Cargill

International, the subsidiary

which oversees the company's

trading outside North Ameri-

ca. He also supervised

Cargill's businesses in the for-

mer Soviet Union, Eastern

Europe, the Middle East and

parts of Africa.

#### **APPRECIATIONS**

#### Stephen Carden

YOUR obituary of Stephen Carden (June 9) states that he was the principal architect of the merger of the Fairbridge Society and the Drake Fellowship. This is indeed true. The merged organisation is now known simply as irbridge, its role train and motivate disadvantaged inner city young people. Fairbridge is quite separate from the London Goodenough Trust for Overseas Graduates, commonly known as London House.

We at Fairbridge have lost a leader with vitality, panache and humour.

Lady Dodds Parker, president, the Fairbridge Drake Society

SHOULD like to confirm that the two organisations

David Emms, director. the London Goodenough

were unable to get back to their

1882

# June 10 ON THIS DAY

Giuseppe Garibaldi (1807-82), patriot and popular hero of Italians, was a soldier of fortune. Following ten years of fighting for liberal causes in Brazil and in Uruguay he returned to Italy. His greatest achievement was the raising

and leadership of The Thousand — volunteers whose conquest of Sicily and Naples led to the unification of Italy under Victor Emmanuel. In 1864 he was given the freedom of the city of London.

#### THE LATE GENERAL GARIBALDI.

LA MADDALENA, JUNE 9. Those on the island were yesierday admined to see Garibaldi's body, lying, as it were, in state, on a simple iron bedstead hung with cloth, in that apartment which was his habitual sitting-room, facing the sea. He lay as if asleep. dressed in the famous red shirt. with a gold-embroidered velvet cap on his head. The face was very pale, but scarcely altered. except that the lips were slightly open, and that a faint discoloration was visible on the cheekbones. Muskets with fixed bayonets were piled near each corner of the bed, and soldiers of the Ravenna Brigade stood on guard. On the ground and against the sides of the bed were a number of beautiful wreaths sent from all parts of Italy, and on the breast

fresh rose of deep crimson. The last scene in Garibaldi's stormy career, if the funeral may be so described, closed with a tempest worthy of his past. The ships that brought us over are lying storm-bound, each with two anchors down. Three, close in to Caprera, have bows and sterns made fast to the rocks to prevent them from going ashore, should the anchors drag. A number of those present at the functal yesterday

ships, and had to remain on the island of Caprera all night. The weather looked unpromising as we steamed in yesterday. At noon the wind rose, and the deputations had a rough pull to reach Captera. When the procession was ready to start the flags displayed along the route had been blown from their staffs, and it was with difficulty that one could keep one's feer. The procession left the house in the following order:- A company of the Line, with its band playing a funeral march: the sailors of the ironclads: the bier, carried and accompanied by the survivors of the Thousand of Mar-Garibaldi's battles: Prince Thomas. Duke of Genna. with his suite : the Minister of War. with the Generals and other officers of the Italian Army risen from Garibaldi's ranks; the deputations from the Senare. Chamber of Deputies, the Roman Municipality, and from the Army and Navy: the Syndies of La Maddalena and from many other towns and cities; a deputation from the Press, followed by deputations from numerous associations. with their flags and banners closely wrapped round the staffs in consequence of the storm; and, finally, a number

It was more than strange to see this long funeral procession, representing the whole of the nation, the King, the Army, Navy, the Legislature. the municipal bodies-all Itbarefooted fishermen of the place, winding its way amone the tocks and brushwood in this desert spot : while the men-of-war, the Washington and Esploratore, lying near, fired minute guns as it passed. At the grave short discourses were delivered by the Marchese Altieri, for the Senate: Signor Farini. President of the Chamber of Deputies, for that body : Signor Zanardelli, Minister of Justice, for the Cabiner: General Ferrero, Minister of War. for the Army and Navy; and Signor Crispi for all Italy...

of persons carrying wreaths.

# Carey seeks charities' aid

ATAHUALPA Yupangui, an

Argentine singer-composer

beloved in France and across

Latin-America as the "voice

of the Pampas", died in

Nîmes, France, on May 30

aged 83. as Picasso, Edith Piaf and The hoarse-voiced folk French poet Paul Eluard.

Atahualpa

Yupanqui

BY RUTH GLEDHILL, RELIGION CORRESPONDENT

Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother will attend a luncheon at The Queen's House, Greenwich, at 12.30 given by the Victoria Cross and George Cross Association bury last night called on charities to use their spiritual and The Princess Royal, as President moral strengths as a force for of the British Knitting and Clothgood in an increasingly secuing Export Council, will attend lar world. Dr George Carey the annual meeting and luncheon criticised a fragmentation of at the Berkeley hotel at 11.45; spiritual beliefs in society and and, as President of the British Olympic Association, will attend the Derbyshire British Olympic appeal dinner at the Ilkeston Regency Rooms at 7.25. spoke of a society suffering from "shallow materialism and spiritual bewilderment". Dr Carey said: "It is widely The Duke of Kent, Grand Master of United Grand Lodge of Engembarrassing to talk about God, spirituality or even ethiland, will attend a special meeting cal values in polite society. at Earls Court at 3.30; and The purpose of life, in many accompanied by the Duchess of circles, is a topic banished to a Kent, will attend a dinner at 7.05.

purely private domain." The Duchess of Kent will visit the Dr Carey, addressing the Peto Institute. Fitzroy Square. at Directors' Network at the National Liberal Club in London, was continuing his campaign to rectify what he regards as a damaging spiritual void in society. The Network is an informal group of charity directors which meets about four times a year to

share mutual concerns. Dr Carey, patron or president of more than 150 charities, warned the directors not to subordinate the spirit of charity to management and marketing techniques. Voluntary action is integral to the life of the Christian churches. he said. "Taking responsibility for serving others and caring for God's creation is

part and parcel of being a good Christian, not an optional extra."

Many of today's most successful charities emerged from Christian organisations founded in the last century. Dr Carey said that each charity must make its own decision about whether to shed its religious image in an attemp; to adjust to a secular society. "But I do say this. If too many charities opt for reticence and secularisation, the cumulative effect will be, in my view, to reinforce the spiritual malaise of contemporary society."

The Archbishop described the Church of England as one of the oldest and largest voluntary organisations. He called on charities not be reticent about the "moving spirit", asking whether the sector had "compromised too deeply with the widespread secularisation of society and the privatisation of moral

values. "The sense of shared values, and the public recognition of people's spiritual nature, are at a dangerously low ebb," he said. "A wishywashy secular liberalism, with God privatised, is not a promising basis for tackling the world's problems."

Dr Carey argued that Brit-

ain's political culture also reflected a spiritual uncertainty. One got the impression at some stages during the recent general election campaign that the purpose of life was shopping." The spirit of charity is

singer and poet wrote more

than 100 songs, many cele-

brating the life and struggle

of peasant farmers in the

Born Hector Roberto Chavero, north of Buenos

Aires, the son of an Indian

father and a Basque mother,

he was a friend of artists such

as Picasso, Edith Piaf and the

Argentine plains and hills.

enormously important" in a society confused about its collective purpose, he said. If the charitable sector ceased to be a moral force, it would lose its justification and relevance. Commenting on the deci-

sion by the Directors' Network to change its name from "The Moving Spirit", Dr Carey asked whether some charities were in danger of substituting managerial ethos for the moving spirit. Conceding that charities must be efficient and give value for money. Dr Carey said: "How difficult it must be to ensure that the management and marketing techniques remain subordinate to the spirit of charity, the servants, not the masters. If a charity director is too eager to tell me about the size of the budget, the number of staff under management, and the scale of the donor list, a warning light starts to flash in my

#### **Cambridge Tripos results**

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Hawker (R): J.M.M. Horsley (T): A.K.
McLaughian (CHR): S.A.J. Northcott
(EM): V. Parkin (EM): N.P. Pickard (SE):
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#### Anniversaries

**BIRTHS: James Francis Edward** Smart, the "Old Pretender". London, 1688; Gustave Courbet, painter. Ornans. France. 1819: Sir Edwin Arnold, poet and scholar, Gravesend, Kent, 1832; Sir Terence Rattigan, dramatist, London. 1911: Judy Garland. film acress. Grand Rapids. Minnesota. 1922.

DEATHS: Luis de Camoens. poet, Lisbon, 1580: George I, reigned 1714-27, Osnabruck. Germany, 1727; Andre-Marie Seddon, prime minister of New Zealand 1893-1906, at sea. Zealand 1893-1906. at sea. 1906: Pierre Loti. novelist. Hendaye. France. 1923

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Ampère, physicist, Marseille, France, 1836; Richard John

VC sold for £14,960 A first world war Victoria Cross won by a member of The Post Office Rifles was bought by the National Postal Museum for 114,960 in an auction of coins and medals at Spink in London The VC The plant of the state of the s

The VC was one of six decorations awarded to Sgt Alfred Knight for what the London Gazene described as most conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty" at Ypres on September 20, 1917. Sgt Knight rushed forward and bayonetted a machinegunner when his platoon came under heavy fire. Later 12 enemy soldiers were found in a shell hole with another machine gun but he ran forward alone.

# Cabinet shows strains over Maastricht

By PHILIP WEBSTER AND NICHOLAS WOOD

TENSIONS within the cabinet over the government's approach to the Maastricht treaty surfaced yesterday with allegations of an attempt to undermine Douglas Hurd's

standing.
As John Major visited Colombia. Tory MPs who support the line he and his foreign secretary have taken since the Danish referendum result spoke out at what they saw as concerned efforts to ensure that the ratification bill never returns to parliament. There were growing recriminations over at least three incidents involving Eurosceptic ministers.

☐ Senior ministers expressed

# **Ministers** round on **Delors**

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back. "We have to watch how our taxpayers' money is spent in Brussels," he said.

Norman Lamont, freed from the requirement to be polite to Europe's federalists while Maastricht was being negotiated, swung the axe with equal relish. He cheekily recalled that the Maastricht summit had praised sustainable economic growth, budgetary prudence and knocked industrial interventionism. M Delors' arithmetic, he concluded, was not in that spirit.

M Delors' own country, France, then turned the knife. Pausing to open his most aggressive interventions with personal apologies to M Delors, Michel Charasse, the budget minister, queried the commission's calculations, said that there was plenty of room in the existing budget and moved his government firmly into the camp of the budget sceptics.

Several other states are arguing that the new budget should not be started until 1994 or 1995, by which the time the Maastricht issue will

Brussels: The Community uncovered more than £127 million in fraud involving funds in 1991, mostly to do with import duties and farm payments, the European Commission said. Countries reported 574 cases of fraudulent export subsidies or other payments for farm goods.

anger at the disclosure in The Times yesterday that Peter Lilley, the social security secretary, and Michael Portillo, the Treasury chief secretary, had attended a private meeting of Eurosceptic ministers that reached the conclusion

that the treaty was dead. One MP said: "What has happened to collective responsibility? They know the cabinet line is eventually to bring the bill back."

☐ There is continuing astonishment at Westminster over the detailed leaking of remarks at last Thursday's cabinet meeting by Douglas Hogg, Mr Hurd's deputy. Mr Hogg was reported as having read out the official Foreign Office brief that the government should continue with the ratification process and put the bill through the Commons. At that point he said: "But I don't believe a word of it."

He then gave a personal view of the tactics the government should adopt in the light of the Danish rejection. Senior Foreign Office sources yesterday described his be-

haviour as "presumptuous".

The incident has been confirmed by cabinet ministers. The general view appears to be that Mr Hogg's initial remark was a joke. But the leaking of the incident is seen by some MPs as part of an attempt to damage Mr Hurd. ☐ There were claims from

some MPs last night that ministers had been openly critical of Mr Major and Mr Hurd in the Commons tearoom over the past few days. One MP said he had overheard a senior minister telling young Tory Euro-rebels that Mr Major and Mr Hurd should stop "prevaricating" over the treaty and seize the opportunity to ditch it.

Tory MPs were becoming alarmed at the outbreak of inter-party feuding over Europe.It came as Labour indicated that it was hardening its opposition to the ratification bill returning.

MPs who support Mr Hurd said yesterday they found it extraordinary that cabinet ministers should have attended a rebel meeting. They pointed out that they had instant access to Mr Maior and Mr Hurd and could express their concerns without fear of disclosure. But Eurosceptic ministers appeared unabashed that reports of their dissent had become public.

# Majestic **Paris** rises to a royal occasion

FROM ALAN HAMILTON IN PARIS

WITH all the pomp that Paris can muster, which is a great deal when the occasion demands, the Queen began a four-day state visit to France yesterday with a majestic drive up the Champs-Elysées, a privilege reserved for only the greatest sons of the republic and the most select of foreign dignitaries.

Accompanied by President Mitterrand and flanked by 100 mounted troops of the Republican Guard, the Queen, a small peach hat in the centre of an immense boulevard lined with Union flags and tricolours, rode in an open-topped Citroen stretch limousine commissioned by Georges Pompidou for her last state visit in 1972. For a city normally indifferent to the passage of foreign potentates, a surprisingly large crowd lined the route, and at one stage of her progress an enthusiastic voice from the pavement shouted: "Vive la reine de France".

At the Arc de Triomphe the Queen and M Mitterrand stepped forward together to lay wreaths on the tomb of the Unknown Soldier, to the accompaniment of a doleful drum roll, the "Last Post", a moment's silence, then a full blooded burst of the "Marseillaise" from the attendant military band. As the Queen met war vet-

erans drawn up around the eternal flame, the Duke of Edinburgh allowed his eye to wander beyond the vast tricolour hanging limply from the roof to the upper reaches of the Arc, whereon are chiselled the names of Napoleon's 172 battle victories. "They've already managed to get a memorial to Maastricht up there," he said, spotting that

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provide the best deal for the

Businesses will continue to

be the main beneficiary, as

the new controls will mean

that their charges will be adjusted to 10 or 11 per cent

below the rate of inflation. In

the past. BT claims to have

subsidised the high cost of the

household telephone network

consumer in the long run.



town's name among Bonaparte's campaign successes. Earlier, the Queen and the Duke had been greeted at Orly airport by M and Ma-dame Milterrand. The president told the Queen in a welcoming speech: "You are the living example of what can be accomplished between

Britain and France." Replying in French, the Queen said: "Britain's place is at the heart of Europe and Britain's future is inseparably

calls. However, Sir Bryan said increases in bills for the

median domestic customer,

paying about £40 a quarter, should now be pegged at 3

per cent below inflation with

BT's special low-user

scheme, available to about

one million families who keep

their phone principally for

emergencies, will be extended

to embrace a quarter of do-

effect from next year.

tied to that of Europe. But only in close collaboration with France will Britain be able to make the most of the opportunities that Europe has to offer."

At her official guest house, the Hotel de Marigny, the Queen conferred on M Mitterrand the Royal Victorian Chain, an honour in her personal gift which has only 17 holders. The last French neck to be decorated by it was that of Charles de Gaulle in 1960.

mestic customers, about 4.5

million households. The max-

imum connection charge will

also be reduced from £152.75

to £99, and future increases

will be kept in line with

BT said the tightening of

the regulatory regime, the

third since the company was

privatised in 1984, was

"harsher than expected". A

spokesman said that the pro-

In return, M Mitterrand presented her with two French 18th-century watercolours by Georges Wille, but no decoration: she already holds the Grand Cross of the Legion d'Honneur, and they have nothing higher to give her.

Last night, after a state banquet at the Elysée - at which they dined on French lamb - the royal visitors were taken to see the reconstruction of the Tuileries gardens

BT ordered to hold down phone costs posals raised "some serious business issues which will take time for us to evaluate".

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The Consumers' Associ-

arion said the proposed pack-

age was "mostly good news"

but it was also disappointed

at "the failure to recoup BT's

excess profits".

#### Political sketch

# Deft effect of a woman's touch

With the Queen's birth-day honours only days away and Patrick Cormack (C. Staffs S), to the bewilderment of many, not least himself, still plain "Mr", time runs short. At 3.26 pm yesterday, he rose. His plan was to sound upon the Cormack trumpet so clarion a blast in support of the monarchy that the call would be heard at the other end of St James's park. Heard, he hoped, and

appreciated.

Madam Speaker, he expostulated, jowis all aquiver, "there can be few less agrecable sights ..." supressed giggles suggest-ed that MPs were reminded of at least one less agree-able sight ... "few less agreeable sights than a pack of greedy voyeurs, on the make ... There were gasps from the press gal-lery. An astonishing attack, surely, for a Tory MP to make upon his own party?

Apparently not. It was us Mr Cormack had in mind the newspapers, that is, not our readers. Readers include Mr Cormack's constituents. Or used to: now that their MP has made the moral position clear, no doubt sales of the Sunday Times will plummet in Staffordshire.

Tony Newton, the leader of the House, did his best to reply. Mr Newton is standing in for John Major, as he had explained before answering question 1 to the prime minister, from Dale Campbell-Savours (Lab. Workington). A competent and thoughtful man but new to this job. Newton rose, perhaps a little tentatively, and said "I have been asked to reply".

"Why?" came a cheerful interruption from the Opposition benches. The PM was away in South America. Newton's reply continued, "inspecting an anti-narcotics training school" in Columbia. "Follow that," shouted a

voice in the peanut gallery. Mr Campbell-Savours did. He wanted to tell par-liament about "a major argument" the previous night in Rio. MPs were agog. Campell-Savours paused to enjoy the suspense. The bust-up, he said, was between Ann Clwyd (Labour's overseas development spokesman) and the Baroness Chalker (our minister).

Suspense turned to hilarity. Rows between the development women were a familiar occurrence in the last parliament, where Mrs Chalker and Ms Clwyd

would vie with each other over the number of starving babies each had personally viewed in the calamity zones to which one would race the other before you could say Save the Children. Cries of beri-beri would fill the air as severed limbs. hungry mouths and undressed wounds flew across the dispatch box in a sort of "wept there, kissed that" competition. Disaster relief is an ideal specialist topic for women MPs. Femininity and political ambition meet harmoniously upon a happy, if narrow, cusp. from which the aspiring woman can move to child abuse, zebra-crossings. health and (if she is lucky)

venture into male preserves like electricity.

That is why Gillian Shephard is taking a risk moving straight from obscurity to the top job at the employment denartment Yesterday was her first day

education. Later she may

fielding questions.
She did well. Mrs Shephard's previous more junior posts have required her to answer the simplest questions, but now she is secretary of state her job is not to answer them, which is harder. She showed promise. To test her powers non-communication. fate supplied David Evans (C. Welwyn Hatfield) who asked her whether many of the so-called long-term unemployed were not just layabouts". Mrs Shephard smiled sweetly and chattered about something else.

Text. Labour's Derek Fatchett, and backbencher Bryan Davies (Oldham Central & Royton). asked how government could guarantee the young unemployed a YTS place, when many were told no place was available. Ah, said an apparently artless Mrs Shephard, young people were guaranteed a place! But not necessarily straight away. "There is some waiting". Readers may care to remember official thinking here, next time they receive a tax

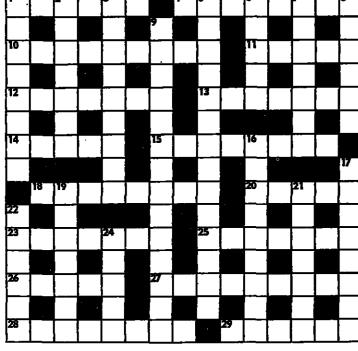
Kenneth Clarke is at least direct. Yesterday he explained the immigration rules on arranged marriages. These were not, he said, meant to discriminate against "people from other curries". His correction, 'countries." came fast enough (I suspect) for Hansard. But not The Times.

MATTHEW PARRIS

MODERATE

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# with profits from business THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 18,941

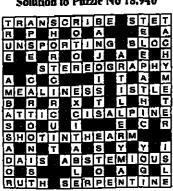


**ACROSS** 

- 1 Thin devil squeezed into heaven
- 4 Put in fellow with high voice (8). 10 Substitute for one quitting free
- enterprise (9). 11 The comeback of actor Peter Flynn (5). 12 Side effects of quarrel (7).
- 13 After sunset say round about five past nine (7). 14 Bird with bit missing - a crest
- 15 No hearts get broken 'twixt Harwich and the Hook (5.3). 18 "A liqueur", said this bird from America (8). 20 Allow money in, a number of
- foreign coins (5).

  23 I search out a bank official (7). 25 It's dishonourable making use of inside information (3-4).
- 26 Assemble in a heap (5).

Solution to Puzzle No 18.940



27 Amazed when we entered the

- vehide (3-6). 28 For ages artist holds back in the
- 29 Frenchman backed right in (6).

DOWN

- 1 You said the judge in father's case is infallible (4-4). 2 Stuck a dimple in the wrong position (7).
- 3 Some remarkable people gave rise to flower power ... (9). while forecasts were broadcast directly (2,3,4,5).
- 6 Kid had a swing, we hear (5). 7 Insect — call it overbearing (7). 8 Force to make a contribution (6). 9 Express regret, but agree over railway lines going from point to
- point (4.4,6). 16 Canteen may bear examination (4,5).
- 17 Tom Thumb creatin' about erection of hotel (8). 19 Superior coach heading for
- London? ... (7). ... in favour of the tube as a result 22 It's often used with bow to play
- the violin (6). 24 Writer Edith Nesbit has written about (5).

This puzzle was solved within 30 minutes by 29 per cent of the competitors at the 1992 London A regional final of The Times InterCity Crossword Championship.

> Concise crossword, page 11 Life & Times section

#### WORD WATCHING

A daily safari through the language jungle. Which definitions are correct? By Philip Howard

QUILLER
a. A fledgling
b. A penman or writer
c. A goose
HOUSAGE a. The age of a house b. A feudal duty c. A storage fee DEMENTI a. Out of one's mind b. Without a beard c. An official denial PEDETENTOUS

Answers on page 18

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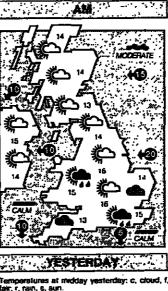
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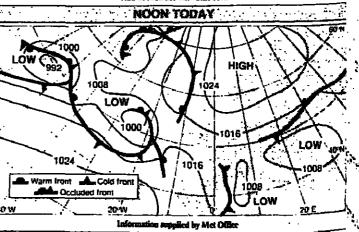
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BUSINESS EDITOR JOHN BELL

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**ELECTRIC STORM** 



Higher than expected profits from PowerGen sparked a political row as the reporting season of the remaining electricity

LUCKY THIRD?

companies continues

Tempus, page 24

After two objections, fund managers hope international bankers will allow them to join Swift settlements club Page 25

PAPER MONEY

emap.

Emap, the publishing group, is paying 7.5p (6.9p) for the year and seeking £77.9 million for acquisitions Tempus, page 24

**CHINA CLASH** 

As shareholders approve the increased bid for Midland Bank, China has launched an attack on **HSBC** Holdings Page 23

NO CREAM



Ross Buckland, Unigate chief executive, delivered higher profits, but there is no cream yet on the dividend

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THE POUND

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RETAIL PRICES RPI: 138.8 April (1987=100) Denotes midday trading price

The Telegraph since 1985.



BY COLIN NARBROUGH, ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

Factory gate inflation slows to 3.6%

PRICE inflation at Britprogress on inflation comes ain's factory gates slowed to an annual 3.6 per cent in May, its lowest since April 1987, according to provisional government figures. The underlying rise in output prices dropped to its lowest for almost 25 years.

The data on output prices, published yesterday, con-firmed a continued reduction of inflationary pressures in the recession-hit manufactur-ing sector. The retail price index, however, the best-known official measure of inflation, is expected to show some acceleration when the May figures appear on Friday. Forecasts point to the annual rate picking up to about 4.5 per cent from 4.3 per cent in April, before starting to slow again in June.

Fresh promise of further

amid persistent, if unconfirmed reports, that the Treasury has downgraded its forecast of 1 per cent growth in the gross domestic product this year. This would be in keeping with current Treasury practice of bringing offi-cial forecasts closer into line with the consensus view.

While the unexpectedly small increase of 0.1 per cent in output prices in May slowed the annual rate to 3.6 per cent from 3.8 per cent the month before, it was the core rate, which excludes food, drink and tobacco, that provided the most impressive number. This inflation measure, said to be the current favourite of Norman Lamont, the Chancellor, slowed from a seasonally adjusted annual 2.8 per cent in April to 2.7 per cent last month, the lowest since June 1967. This

# Sterling knocked by EMU worries

BY OUR ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

yesterday pinned to the floor of the exchange-rate mechanism after dropping sharply in response to comments by Helmut Schlesinger, the president of the Bundesbank, which fuelled market fears about the fate of European economic and monetary

union (EMU). Although the pound was still well above above the low general election, renewed weakening will reduce the government's scope for a fresh cut in base rate. The uncompromising tone adopted by Dr Schlesinger indicated no hope of any early easing by the Bundesbank.

Unnerved by last week's Danish "No" to the Maastricht Treaty on European union, the currency markets saw Dr Schlesinger's remarks reinforcing fears about EMU. In an interview in the International Herald Tribune, he stressed the problems he foresees in transferring the German mark to a single European currency. He said there could be a

SHARP cuts in BT telephone

charges for business users

should help industry to con-

tain costs and promote eco-

nomic recovery. Sir Bryan Carsberg, director-general of

They will go hand in hand

with measures to accelerate

the emergence of competition

in Britain's telecommuni-

cations market. Almost a de-

cade after the creation of

Mercury Communications to

challenge BT's monopoly, it

still handles only 7 per cent of

Although the overall

telecommunucations, said.

THE pound spent most of realignment of the ERM currencies before the final move to EMU.

> Sterling fell sharply during the morning, dipping below DM2.9050 at one point, its weakest since mid-April. Like other European currencies. the pound came under pressure from the mark, the main beneficiary of the uncertainty about EMU. The Italian and Danish central banks interf to ome out? cies, but the Bank of England stayed on the sidelines.

At the official London close at 4pm, sterling was second from the bottom of the ERM. with the lira, the worst hit currency, below it. Against the mark, sterling stood at DM2.9154, slightly below its previous finish.

Avinash Persaud, a currency analyst at UBS Phillips & Drew, said the market was worried that the pound would not necessarily be a member of the hard-core group around in the event of the Maastricht Treaty unravelling.

Oftel finds right business tone

BY ROSS TIEMAN, INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

changes in BT prices pro-posed by Sir Bryan yesterday

amount to inflation minus

7.5 per cent, the benefits will

remain heavily weighted to-

Their bills should, on aver-

age, change by inflation mi-

mus 10 or 11 per cent each

year during the four years

beginning August 1, 1993.

Sir Bryan said. The changes

would accelerate the trend to

increase the level of standing

charges, while making dis-

proportionately large cuts in

Increases in charges for

wards business users.

compared with the annual peak of 6.4 reached early last

Keith Skeoch, chief economist at James Capel, hailed the figures as the "first signs of the collapse of core inflation". With delayed recovery leaving demand soggy, and British industry operating well below its productive potential, he saw no scope for price increases

David Mackie, economist at J. P. Morgan, said the inflation picture should continue to improve for the rest of this year, even if the economic recovery really gets under-

The Treasury commented that yesterday's data meant that annual output price inflation at the core level was on course to meet the Budget forecast of 2 per cent in the

final quarter this year. The prices manufacturers pay for fuel and raw materials rose by an unadjusted 0.1 per cent in May for a provisional annual decline of 0.9 per

cent, unchanged from April. Robert Lind, economist at UBS Phillips & Drew, said input prices are likely to stage a recovery in the second half of this year. But he expects manufacturers to be able to control output prices, despite the prospective rise in raw materials prices, thanks to the favourable trends in labour

At the retail level, petrol prices are today set to climb to new peaks following a 4.5p per gallon price hike by Esso and Shell.

The move, which reflects higher prices on the Rotterdam market, will push 4-star to 245p a gallon.

Environment department figures showed a provisional per cent rise, after seasonal adjustment, in the number of housing starts in the three months to April to give a 3 per cent increase year on Housing association starts

were up sharply, but starts by private enterprise were down ner cent. Concern about the slowing

German economy was heightened by fresh data issued in Bonn yesterday.

Provisional figures showed a fall of 1.9 per cent in industrial orders in the western half

private telephone circuits

rented by business users will

be restricted in line with infla-

and Mergers Commission.

The department of industry

applications from other com-

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of the country in April, after a Comment, page 25 2.5 per cent drop in March.



## Market 'is not serving investors'

COMPETITION working to the benefit of investors, an Office of Fair Trading report by Helena Wiesner claims. It says that trust in financial advisers may be misplaced because of the commission-based remuneration system and the lack of adequate training of

Product providers competed to buy distribution through increased commission payments rather than on the services they provide, she

The report also argues that while life insurance products have a dominant position in personal sector savings, they were not in many cases the most suitable form of invest-

The payment of salesmen by commission also posed a conflict of interest between different products and different companies.

"There is strong evidence that these conflicts are not being overcome. For example, the preponderance of tion. The present cap is infla-(higher commission-paying) endowment mortgages de-BT must either accept Sir Bryan's proposals, or face a spite the advantages of the repayment route, the low reference to the Monopolies penetration of unit trusts or investment trusts as an often Most observers believe it will better alternative to life products, the encouragement to many to opt out of the state is considering more than 30 earnings-related pension scheme and/or occupational pension schemes into personal pension plans and the over-selling of home equity release schemes."

Man in the news, page 2

# City quartet convicted

FOUR City highflyers were yesterday convicted of insider dealing at the end of a sevenweek Old Bailey trial.

They had been charged after an investigation by the Department of Trade and Industry into insider dealing among young City professionals

David Gray, 32, of Muswell Hill, north London, formerly a stockbroker with Morgan Grenfell Securities. received a six-month jail sentence, suspended for two years. He was fined £10,000. ordered to pay a further £10,000 costs and given a 12month conditional discharge. Wood Green, north London - at the time of the offences a fund manager at Lazards — was fined £5,000 and ordered to pay £5,000 costs.

Catherine Rowlands, 32, a vicar's daughter of Finsbury Park, north London, was giv en a 12-month conditional discharge and ordered to pay £2,000 costs. She was former ly an investment analyst with Samuel Montagu UK, the court heard.

Mark Riding, 27, of Chorl-ton-cum-Hardy, Manches-ter, formerly a fund manager with the Co-operative Insurance Society, was fined a total of £10,000 and ordered to William Liggins, 33, of pay £5,000 costs.

## **Nationwide** makes record loss provisions

By LINDSAY COOK MONEY EDITOR

THE Nationwide Building Society reported yesterday that it made loss provisions of f236 million in the year ending April 4. The largest provisions ever made by a building society knocked its pre-tax profits back by 29 per cent to 5202 million

cent to £202 million. The second largest society, which has a strong South East bias since its merger with the Anglia Building Society, made £205 million of provisions on its residential mortgages — five times the previous year's total of £42.3 million.

Tim Melville-Ross, the Nationwide chief executive, said its provisions were worse than other societies because of its south east bias and its later vear-end had included a further fall in house prices. "Last year our performance was inevitably affected by the extended recession and the worst housing market in living memory, which led us to make a prudent level of provisions," he said. The results were better than the City had expected.

There were tentative signs that house prices were beginning to get firmer in the last two months. There was increased activity in the society's network of estate agencies in the South, said Mr Melville-Ross, who urged the government to "do everything in its power not to allow the tentative signs of improvement in the housing market to disappear."

The Nationwide had 6,000 properties in possession at the end of its financial year compared with 4.200 the previous year. Mr Melville-Ross expected the number to fall during 1992. In the first half of 1992 he expected that members of the Council of Mortgage Lenders would re-possess 32.000 properties in the first half of the year and a total of 65.000 for the whole year. This compares with 76,000 last year. However, Mr Melville-Ross said the igure would have been 120,000 without the mea-

Nationwide's operating profits increased by 15.4 per cent to £437.8 million during the year and gross assets rose by 9.6 per cent to £34 billion. Non-interest income increased from £195 million to £256 million. Mortgage advances fell from £3.5 billion to £2.6 billion.

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people in their homes.

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# Black to make £337m on Telegraph

By Neil Bennett

CONRAD Black, the Canadian businessman, is about to complete the deal of a lifetime when he floats off The Telegraph at the end of the month. The pathfinder prospectus, published yesterday. shows he is likely to make a profit of almost £337 million from his six-year ownership

of the newspaper group. Hollinger, Mr Black's Canadian group, is selling 26 million shares in The Telegraph, which publishes The Daily Telegraph and The Sunday Telegraph. City analysts expect the offer price to be 350p, valuing the company at £469 million.

Hollinger has spent C\$262 million (£119 million) building an \$3 per cent stake in



Black: promise Now it is paying another £20 million to buy out a 4 per cent stake owned by Lord Hartwell, the company's former chairman, and Andrew

tive of The Telegraph and

currently executive chairman

of News International, pub-

mated flotation price now values Hollinger's stake at £408 million, while it has also raken out an estimated £68 million in dividends in the past three years. Hollinger is selling shares worth £91 million, leaving it with a 68 per cent stake, worth £319 million, more than double the value of its original

Announcing the float, Mr Black said that The Telegraph was "the jewel in the crown" of Hollinger. He said the company was floating to meet an earlier promise by Lord Hartwell in 1985. Mr Black, who will remain the group's executive chairman, said The Telegraph Knight, former chief execu-

lisher of The Times. The esti-The Telegraph already owns The Spectator and

holds a 15 per cent stake in John Fairfax, the Australian newspaper group, 13 per cent of Trinity, the regional newspaper publisher, and 5 per ent of Central Television. The prospectus also revealed that The Telegraph

has agreed to pay two-thirds of the costs of Mr Black's office in Toronto at a cost of more than £800,000, while the notes show that The Telegraph's pension fund has a [].4 million deficit

The prospectus said the group plans to pay a 10p might take a stake in the New dividend at the end of the York Daily News in a joint venture with Hollinger. He

# Meyer sells loss-making Cadel arm

By Jon Ashworth

MEYER International, the building products group, is selling its loss-making Cadel heating and plumbing business to BSS for £19.1 million as the UK building slump continues to take its toll.

Profits before tax fell 32 per cent to £24.6 million in the year to March 31; the previous year they were down 49 per cent. Turnover was unchanged at £1.1 million. An unchanged final dividend of 12.3p a share leaves the total dividend for the year at 16.5p. Meyer has provided £19.2

million as an extraordinary item to cover the expected loss on the disposal of Cadel. A further £21.9 million has been charged to reflect goodwill previously written off on acquisition.

The sale to BSS, an industrial heaters and plumbing company, marks the end of a disastrous spell for Meyer. The company bought Cadel as part of the UBM builders merchant chain in 1988, in a package worth about £55 million. Cadel made an operating loss of £5.3 million last year. despite a sales increase from £62.8 million to £95.3 million. Faced with "continuing substantial losses". Meyer decided to sell. It has knocked £6 million off Cadel's asset value as a sweetener for BSS.

Job cuts at the Jewson builders' merchant chain and tighter cost controls were not enough to prevent operating

profits falling to £18.1 million (£26.9 million). The forest products division saw operating profits slip to £8.5 million (£13.3 million). Subsidiaries in The Netherlands, Germany and America were hit by the

Richard Jewson, chairman, sees little sign of recovery. "We remain cautious on the immediate future," he said. "Demand has been flat for some months and although the atmosphere after the election is brighter, there is little evidence of increased activity."
The Cadel disposal is sub-

ject to the approval of BSS shareholders. Under the deal, BSS will buy 37 of the 50 Cadel branches: the rest will be closed down. The company is seeking to raise £16.2 million through a one for four rights issue to fund the acquisition.

BSS saw profits before tax in the year to March 31 slip by a quarter to £10.02 million (£13.34 million). A final dividend of 11.5p gives a total payout of 17.25p, both

☐ Marshalls, a building materials manufacturer, is raising £20 million through a rights issue to fund acquisitions and reduce gearing. Pre-tax profits in the year to March 31 were unchanged at £12.5 million (£12.7 million). A final dividend of 3.75p a share makes 5p for the year, both unchanged.



Going up: Shay McKeown, chief executive, is confident about the future

# Powerscreen pushes ahead

by Shay McKeown, serves industries such as waste man-

agement, mining, quarrying, construction and agriculture.

POWERSCREEN International, maker of crushing and screening equipment, be-lieves that it will benefit from the recovery in markets that have been weak for the past three years and is confident that the current financial year will be another profitable one (Colin Campbell writes).

Pre-tax profits in the year ended March rose from a re-

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It says its European network stated £15.8 million to £18.8 million on turnover 21.9 per was expanded during the year cent higher at £88.1 million. and that in the last quarter there were encouraging trends in America, with an The group made two acquisitions during the year, and increased number of manow consists of seven indechines sold. pendent engineering companies. Powerscreen, headed

The final dividend is increased from 3.95p to 4.3p a share, making 6p (5.55p) a share for the year. The shares

## Vosper sees an end to workforce reductions

BY RODNEY HOBSON

JOBS are being saved at Vosper Thornycroft, the shipbuilder, despite the end of the cold war

Peter Usher, chairman, says: "We suffer from the feeling that defence is necessarily a deteriorating market. but there are many countries who want vessels to protect their economic exclusion zones.

Mr Usher has allowed E3.3 million for redundancy payments to 350 staff and 100 workers have gone already. but he is now hoping that no more than a further 50 will be ieparting out of a workforce of

He believes that if one or two small orders can be won to fill in the next 12 to 15 months he can keep his existing staff until work starts on two corvettes for Oman and four fast anack craft for Qatar.

At that point he will be recruiting again. The Qatar order, won last week is for delivery in 1996 and 1997. Mr Usher hopes that an order for three corvettes from

Brunei, put on ice three years ago, will come back if Oman. which has cultural ties with Brunei, is happy. Drug running in Europe

and piracy in the Far East has produced interest in simple but fast patrol boats. Vosper saw pre-tax profits rise 12 per cent to £16 million

in the year to March, despite the redundancy provision. The final dividend is 9p. making 13.1p. compared with 11.375p last time. BUSINESS ROUNDUP

# Great Portland holds payout despite slump

GREAT Portland Estates, Britain's sixth largest property group, shrugged off the recession and increased its pre-tax profits for the year to end-March by £140,000 to £33.9 pronis for the year to end-March by £140,000 to £33,9 million. The group disclosed, however, that its property portfolio has slumped by more than 9 per cent in value to £874 million, which has slashed net assets per share by 26 per cent to 212p. Nevertheless, the group is holding its final dividend at 6.6p to make an unchanged 10p for the year. Richard Peskin, the chairman, said annualised rental income was now rupping at £82 million a year. He said the

income was now running at E82 million a year. He said the figures were robust despite the worst conditions in the market for nearly half a century, and that he expected to pay a 10p dividend in the current year.

# Hopes grow at Stakis

SIR Lewis Robertson, the company doctor breathing life into Stakis, the Scottish leisure group, has boosted hopes of a return to profits this year. Stakis lost £3.39 million pre-tax in the six months to March 29. £45.1 million loss swollen by a 643.7 million exceptional item). The company is passing the dividend payment -0.45p was paid last time. Sir Lewis said business opportunities were likely to improve in the coming months, matching Stakis's changing fortunes.

#### Match deal struck

PROCORDIA, the Swedish food and drugs group, has agreed to buy Swedish Match, owner of Bryant & May and Swan Vesta in Britain, for an undisclosed sum. The company will be integrated with Procordia's United Brands unit, which makes tobacco products and confectionery. Swedish Match, which has annual sales of about £190 million and claims 75 per cent of the British market for matches and lighters, was sold to management for £338 million in 1990.

# Healthy rise at Seton

SETON Healthcare, the health products and sports equipment group, has raised its profits before tax by 60 per cent from £3 million to £4.8 million for the year to the end of February. The profit was achieved on turnover up 19 per cent at £36.2 million. A 3.6p final dividend makes 5.1p for the year, 38 per cent up on the actual dividend and 10 per cent up on the notional dividend payable had the company's shares been listed for the whole of the previous year.

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Vodafone ready

to expand as

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expansion of operations and

believes group profits can con-

lion, on turnover 9 per cent higher at £585.3 million.

Interest received on cash balances jumped to £8.26 million (£2.42 million), and

but for the recession, results

would have been 25 per cent

higher, he said. After an initial

post-election burst, the surge in economic activity had

stopped. Mr Whent said there would be no fast economic

recovery in Britain, but

Vodafone still expected a fur-

ther profits improvement this

The number of subscribers

had risen by a net 45,000 to

715,000, even though the

"churn rate" (customers leav-

ing the network) had risen to a

24 per cent peak in September

four subscribers cancelling.

- equivalent to nearly one in

Average revenue per sub-scriber had fallen from £730 to

£700 a year, but since year-end

had improved to £711.

Vodafone had retained its 56

per cent share of the UK

Mr Whent said the net

subscription rate could rise by

between 70.000 and 90,000

He said the long-term pros-

pects remained good and all

group businesses had im-proved profitability last year.

balances had risen further.

Cash funds are earmarked for

further capital expenditure, which is likely to be £120 million annually for the next two years, and for further domestic and international

Last November, Vodafone

paid \$75 million for a 30 per

cent stake in Pacific Link

Communications of Hong Kong, and in January the

expansion of operations.

Since year-end, net cash

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0.8p (0.5p). Storage sale

Henry Barrett, the steel fabrication and stockholding group, has sold Barrett Storage Systems (BSS) to Wagon Storage Products for an initial 1920,000. BSS designs, man-ufactures and installs storage systems. During the year to August 31 it made a loss of

# Surging PowerGen signals a deal on price contracts

By MARTIN WALLER

windfall from the use of two THE coal and electricity innow-closed power stations while upgrading work was dustries are close to signing contracts that will determine the price of power to the taking place on the national consumer over the next five grid. years, Ed Wallis, chief execu-

tive of PowerGen, the electricity generator, said. Firm deals

were expected within weeks.

prices at which the generators buy coal and sell electricity to

the regional distributors, who

provide it to the consumer. Mr

Wallis said the only remaining

hurdle was the agreement of the distributors. The ball is in

PowerGen was reporting profits sharply ahead of City expectations at £359 million

before tax for the year to

March 29, a 32 per cent advance on the £272 million

reported last time. The profits advance disguises an additional £88 million one-off

Consumer

to gain

from water

efficiency

The review of water price limits after 1994 will be used

to transfer efficiency gains

made since privatisation to the

consumer, Ian Byatt, the di-rector-general of water ser-

vices, warned the companies

yesterday. "This is not a cost-

Introducing Ofwat's annual

report, Mr Byatt said that

efficiency league tables would

be published from next year.

to show how much could be

saved, and would be used for

the periodic review. The for-

mula must be tight, he said.

based on "a return which I

consider is no more than

Mr Byatt has already sug-

gested a cut in the assumed

real cost of capital from 7 per

cent to between 5 and 6 per

cent. Profits had been 20 per

cent higher than assumed

before nine of the privatised

groups forwent part of their

permitted price increase for

1992-3 and absorbed more

spending not allowed for in

the original price calculations.

pecting to finance the cost of

metering, reckoned by Ofwat

to be around £24 a year per

meter, or 14 per cent on

average combined water and

sewerage bills, without a rise in overall price limits. Mr

Byatt said. Anglian Water said

last week that it would have to

stop programmes to introduce metering in existing houses

unless a means of paying for them was agreed with Ofwat. Comment, page 25

Brent Walker's Pubmaster re-

tail operation and Labatt, the Canadian brewer, have creat-

ed Maple Leaf Inns. a joint

venture that will buy and run a

total of 1.000 pubs in Britain

in coming months. The agree-

ment also gives Labatt access to Pubmaster's existing estate

of almost 2,000 outlets for its

beer brands. Maple Leaf will

be jointly operated by Labatt Brewing UK and Pubmaster, and the distribution deal in-

creases Labatt's business in

Greencore up 13%

Greencore, the controversial

Irish sugar and foods group,

has reported pre-tax profits up

13 per cent to 1r£16.2 million

(£14.6 million) on sales of lt£189.3 million for the six months to March 27. There is

an interim dividend of 3p. Bernie Cahill, the chairman,

said: "A satisfactory outcome for the year as a whole is to be

expected." The privatisation of

Greencore was the subject of

an Irish government investi-gation earlier this year.

Scott Pickford, the oil industry

service company, almost dou-bled pre-tax profits in the year

to end March, to £403,717

(E212,848) on turnover up 13

per cent at £2.43 million

(E2.15 million). Earnings per

share increased to 3.79p

(2.4p). There is a dividend of

Strong advance

Britain by 25 per cent.

Brent venture

Companies would be ex-

absolutely necessary".

plus system" he said.

their court," he claimed.

The contracts relate to the

A final dividend of 6.2p makes a total increased by 11 per cent to 9.25p. PowerGen says it expects to have to cut a further few hundred jobs because of encroaching competition from independent

The profit figure sparked an immediate political row, at the start of an electricity sector reporting season that promises many more such. Frank Dobson. Labour's shadow energy minister, said the numbers were a scandal. "These profits would have been unacceptable from anyone at any time. But they have been made in the middle of a recession by a near-monopoly selling an essential service."

Sir Graham Day, the PowerGen chairman, was in optimistic mood over the contracts with British Coal and the distributors. "Uncertainties related to these contract replacements seem now to be less than was thought at privatisation," he said.

Mr Wallis said the company had had a good year of solid steady progress, during which the markets it served had stabilised. The extra £88 million of profit had come from so-called "constrained running" of the two plants, and as this windfall would not be repeated in the current year it had been treated as an exceptional item. There was surprise in the industry at the amount PowerGen had managed to earn from keeping the plants open. The industry regulator, the Office of Electricity Regulation, is investi-

gating the effects on electricity

prices of a similar decision to keep running a plant owned by PowerGen's only effective competitor, National Power. amid claims that this led to a rise in prices, but the latter is not expected to announce such windfall figures when the company reports interim figures next week.

Offset against the extra £88 million was the cost of closing an additional 2,000MW of plant, over and above the massive restructuring envisaged at privatisation, because of increased fears of competi-tion which the generators' older, least profitable plant cannot match on cost. John Rennocks, the finance direc-tor, said: "It's now fairly obvious to us that during the course of the next four to five years we're going to close more stations than we envisaged a year ago."
PowerGen has set aside £94

million to cover these closures. even though Mr Rennocks concedes they have yet to be fully identified. About 60 per cent of this cost will go on redundancy payments.

□ Professor St Stephen Littlechild, the director-gener-

al of electricity supply, has accepted that by no later than 1995 he should make a decision on whether the generators, including the state-owned Nuclear Electric, should be referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission, given that they could expect to retain "a very significant share of the market for some years to come". He was agreeing with a similar view contained in the

Energy Select Committee's

Report on the Consequences of Electricity Privatisation. Tempus, page 24



Closer to contracts: Sir Graham Day, chairman (left), and Ed Wallis, chief executive

# Lloyd's group backs £500m levy plan

By Jonathan Prynn

THE Association of Lloyd's Members, a body representing more than 9,000 names, expressed support for the £500 million levy that has been imposed on the market's members.

association's chief executive, gave warning that the funds raised should not be used as part of a rescue package for destitute names without the permission of the membership as a whole.

Speaking after a meeting of the association's committee yesterday, Mr Powell described the levy as "a proper

TI Group's £509.4 million

hostile takeover bid for Dowty

Group closes at 1pm today.

and last night it looked in-creasingly likely that TI will

TI made what turned out to

be its first and final offer on

April 23 when it bid eight-for-

15, with a cash alternative of

The trade and industry sec-

retary yesterday said that there

would be no reference to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission of Tl's bid for

Dowty shares closed at

175p, down 1. TI shares were also 1p

lower, closing at 352p, valu-

ing its share offer at 187.8p a

TI has consistently attacked

174.76p a share.

Dowty.

Dowty share.

and prudential response" and added: "I don't see that they had any alternative."

The levy is in the form of a 1.66 per cent charge on the underwriting of all names during the 1990, 1991 and charge will be deducted from names' funds held at Lloyd's and will be reflected in their personal accounts for each of those years. The levy will increase the size of the Lloyd's central fund from £500 million to £1 billion. The central fund is used to meet policyholders' claims when names

will not or cannot pay their

TI on course to win

battle for Dowty

By COLIN CAMPBELL

duced

losses. It is likely to come under pressure at the end of the month, when a £2 billion loss will be announced for the 1989 year of account.

Mr Powell said that Lloyd's should not be tempted to use as "a back-door way of mutualising Lloyd's losses". Although Lloyd's had the right under a 1986 by-law to boost the central fund through a compulsory levy, it was not entitled to use the money for other purposes, such as a rescue fund, without the express permission of the membership. The committee also

considered the options for a possible rescue scheme for the worst-hit names. Mr Powell said the situation was "frightfully complicated" and the association had not been able

to form a view. possibility of a rescue fund to limit the exposure of names with the worst losses. However, many better-off names are known to have told their agents that they object to paying for other names' losses. A scheme involving contributions from agency firms and brokers is thought to stand the greatest chance of success.

# **Buyers make contact** over Marston stake

Dowty's profits record and has argued that Dowty shareholders would be better served in the long-term in the TI group. Dowty belatedly counterattacked, and last week probetter-than-expected pre-tax profits for the year ended March. It has consistently said there is no commerical logic for a merger

TI, through a share purchase in the stock market last week, holds a shade under 10 per cent of Dowty. On a successful takeover of

Dowty, TI is poised to be included in the Ft-SE 100

An announcement of the outcome of the bid is expected by late afternoon today.

By MICHAEL TATE being forced to divest under the "beer orders" legislation. MICHAEL Hurdle, chairman of Marston, Thompson

& Evershed, the brewer of Pedigree, Low "C" and Burton Best Bitter, confirmed that the Burton on Trent group had received approaches in recent months from "a number of supposedly potential purchasers" of Whithread Investment Company's 31.4 per cent share stake. It had, however, received "no firm proposals" and no discussions were

currently taking place. Mr Hurdle's comments accompanied annual results from Marston showing an 18 per cent fall in pre-tax profit to £15.1 million for the year to last March after some hefty bad debt and property provisions. Concern over the future of WIC's holding, which is

intensified recently after the investment company's sale of part of its stake in Morland to a hostile bidder, Greene King. Mr Hurdle said: "We are committed to pursuing our

independent, vertically inte-grated brewer and retailer." The plan includes pulling the plug on lower-selling brands such as the group's Pilsener lager and its Border beers, and concentrating on its five key products.

own declared strategy as an

Marston's pre-tax profit was struck after £5.4 million of exceptional items, relating to bad debts and lower property values. The final dividend is 3.57p, giving shareholders 4.91p for the year (4.46p)

# **HSBC** is fading out of colony

FROM LULU YU

CHINA has launched a blistering attack on HSBC Holdings, parent of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corp. for offering to take over Midland Bank. Through China News Service (CNS) Peking said Hongkong Bank was "fading out" of the colony by shifting assets abroad and diminishing its role as a quasi

central bank.

"HSBC is buying banks overseas as if it were part of its

tumbling.

CNS said HSBC's in earnings per share would be diluted by 18 per cent (14 per

# China says

business expansion due to the saturation of the Hong Kong market. A more important reason seems to be that it wants to gradually fade out of Hong Kong," said CNS. At an extraordinary meet-

ing yesterday. Hongkong Bank's Midland offer was approved by a majority of more than 75 per cent of the shareholders present. HSBC last week raised the offer from E3.3 to E3.9 billion and sweetened the deal with cash to fend off a potential offer from Lloyds Bank. Lloyds withdrew and HSBC shares have been

proved bid for Midland would harm the interests of Hongkong Bank shareholders. It expressed concern that the merger would dilute HSBC's assets per share by 7.4 per cent compared with 2 per cent under the old bid, and that

#### By COLIN CAMPBELL group spent 521 million in VODAFONE Group, the mobile telephone company for-merly part of Racal Elecraising its stake in NordicTel Holdings in Scandinavia to tronics, ended its first year as a 18.9 per cent. fully demerged entity with net In consortium, Vodaione cash balances of £65 million expects to bid for mobile up £34 million from previous communication opportunities in the Far East and Europe in The company intends the year ahead. Last Decemspending its money on further ber, the group opened Brit-ain's first digital mobile

part of a system being impletinue to grow despite the mented throughout Europe. Gerry Whent, chief executive, said despite the fits and Mr Whent ruled out any suggestion that cash balances starts in Britain's economy, would again be used to pay a pre-tax profits in the year ended March 31 rose from special dividend. To facilitate September's demerger from £244.7 million to £271.8 mil-Racal. Vodalone paid a special

telephone service, which forms

5p-a-share dividend. For the year ended March, the company has declared a final dividend of 2.94p, making 5.8p (5.27p). Vodafone shares rose 1p to 370p.

## Abu Dhabi 'seeks deal on BCCI'

BY OUR CITY STAFF

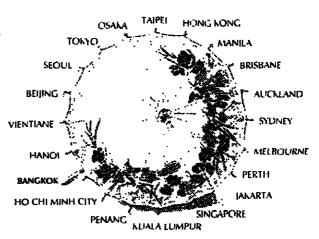
ABU Dhabi, majority shareholder of Bank of Credit and Commerce International. which was closed last July. wants to buy "peace and quiet" from creditors' claims. the High Court heard yester-

Counsel for Touche Ross. BCC1 liquidators, said on the second day of a hearing into a plan to compensate worldwide creditors, that Abu Dhabi wanted creditors to drop claims against it, in return for a \$1.7 billion contribution towards global compensation. This stance has provoked criticism among creditors who want claims for a bigger dividend pursued.

Some \$3 billion of promissory notes and guarantees given by Abu Dhabi in support of BCCI are central to creditors' insistence on a higher dividend than the 30-40 per cent offered by the compensation proposed by Abu Dhabi and Touche Ross. Some creditors want these notes to be honoured. Counsel for Abu Dhabi said any attempt to enforce the notes

"would be resisted to the hilt".

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# Drawbacks of being a director in Denmark BY RODNEY HOBSON

BE A managing director in

Spain, a finance director in Switzerland or a marketing director in France. Above all, those in top jobs in industry should stay clear of Denmark While the harmonisation of European markets is closing the gaps between pay in different countries, changes are coming only slowly, according to this year's annual survey of 12 countries by PE-International, the management consultant.

The surprise nation is Spain, which has displaced Switzerland at the top of the league in terms of gross pay. The expansion of the Spanish economy since its release from dictatorship has meant that top managers are hard to find and are having to be imported according to Michael Smith. manager of PE's salary and

MANAGING DIRECTORS' PAY

Managing directors, aged 45+, of manufacturing companies with turnover of £75 million pay £000 63.5 61.5 64.4 61.6 35.3 43.7 57.0 48.9 40.2 37.3

personnel research. However, the Swiss executive still has the fattest bank account, despite paying more than a third of iotal salary to the government. Britain is only ninth, level

with Portugal, taking the pay of comparable managing di-

rectors. However, the top mar-

ginal tax rate of 40 per cent. the lowest among the countries surveyed, means that the British manager comes seventh in terms of take-home pay. The opposite number in Denmark fares better in gross pay but high taxes and social security payments take the

Dane to the bottom of the list, with more than 60 per cent of salary going to the government. "Danish executives are leaving the country to work for multinational companies elsewhere in Europe," says Mr Britain still has the lead in

company cars. Only three out of 100 managing directors directors have to buy their own vehicles. At middle and senior management level, 70 per cent of Britons have a com-

in Ireland and Portugal, the nearest rivals for this status symbol, the middle management figure is only 46 per cent. The French, however, are becoming more car conscious despite a hostile tax regime and 93 per cent of managing directors now have

Where Britain lags is in

relating pay to performance. Just under half the managing directors receive a bonus, compared with 94 per cent in France and 87 per cent in Germany. Britain instead gives its executives share option schemes, a practice that is limited on the continent, although it is begining to

appear in Spain. The Danes do have one or two perks to themselves. Use of a summer residence and provision of fitness programmes are virtually unheard of south of the Kiel canal.

The sharp fall in awards to managers in the UK has come to an end, according to figures from Incomes Data Services, an employment research company.
Increases in the three

months to April averaged just over 5 per cent, only marginally lower than in the previous

New York - Blue chips

slipped in lacklustre morning

trading, reflecting a lack of

interest among investors be-

fore the release of the signifi-

cant May price and sales

WALLSTREET

Nasdaq shares were little

☐ Tokyo - Shares rose after

three days of losses. The

Nikkei index gained 159.98

points to 17.845.04. Turn-

over was 170 million shares.

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# Consumers' loss is PowerGen's gain

the privatised power in-dustry, good news for the generators tends to be bad news for the regional distributors, and vice versa, but no news ever seems to be good for the consumer.

The tripartite negotiations between British Coal, the generators and the distributors are apparently nearing an end. British Coal looks set to sell its product at above world market prices to the generators, who will only sign up if given assurances that the distributors will take the power so generated at prices that guarantee the generators a profit.

Coal and the generators seem close to agreement. if PowerGen is to be believed: just the distributors remain out of line. They are con-cerned that they will have to absorb the higher costs of keeping British Coal in a fit shape to be sold off, rather than passing them on to the honoured way. Perish that thought; but whatever happens, the generators are at east guaranteed their cut.

The only real danger comes from independent power generation. The company has moved to forestall this by setting aside an additional £94 million to fund the closure of less profitable stations, a sum coincidentally balanced by an £88 million windfall earned on keeping just such plant open last year at the behest of the

PowerGen shares have advanced sharply since May on hopes of a favourable coal deal as earlier fears, that the government might seek to favour British Coal at the generators' expense before privatisation, have faded They sell on a prospective yield of 5.5 per cent, projected from last year's payalmost three-and-a-half

The benefits of huge costcutting cannot go on for ever, but the earnings will keep flowing and that dividend cover can afford to be reduced. For all the wrong reasons for the electricity consumer, the shares look

#### Unigate

SOMEHOW Unigate never seems quite to deliver the cream. Having finally strug-gled free of its underperforming poultry and more peripheral interests, it has found itself shackled by some depressing farm food figures and the continuing ration-alisation of its fresh foods division.

Since the dairy operations have long since gone ex growth, it is perhaps not surprising that, after stripping away the £16.3 million losses run up by the discontinued businesses in the previous year, pre-tax profits for the year ended last March were less than £500,000 better, at £92.2 million.



Good progress: Ross Buckland, head of Unigate

Yet again Unigate appears to have expended a great deal of energy without appearing to get anywhere. Ross Buckland, chief executive, now more than 18 months into the job, describes the 6 per cent underlying growth in the teeth of a recession as good

progress, but he will need to

be more convincing with the current year's figures. The good news is that dairies improved their doorstep margins despite the adverse economic conditions, that the Wincanton distribution business moved forward apace with new contracts and lower costs and that the American res-

taurants are making a bigger more than 100 titles over the contribution.

At the same time, the rationalisation programme has had limited impact on the balance sheet, where gearing has been kept down to 15.1 per cent.

The temptation to raise the dividend has been resisted. despite a 5p improvement in earnings per share, at 27.3p. in favour of increasing cover to a more reassuring 1.3

The move way well have

accounted for a little of the market's disappointment yesterday, as may the absence of any more news on The market is not convinced that Unigate can make £100 million this year.

but if it were to, the shares down 8p at 344p - would be selling for some 11 2 times earnings. And worth no

#### **EMAP**

WITH a clutch of big new issues on the horizon, most notably the Wellcome flotation, institutional investors are becoming more than normally picky about which cash calls to support. One that is likely to receive their backing is the £77.9 million one-for-four rights issue un-veiled yesterday by EMAP. vhose share price fall was

limited to only 3p at 282p. EMAP is looking to replace with equity the £67 million of debt it has run up in buying and launching supporting.

to 370p, after briefly touch-

ing 375p, following better

than expected full-year fig-

ures showing pre-tax profits

up 11 per cent at £271.7

million. Sales rose 9 per cent

to £585 million and the group

now speaks for 56 per cent of the portable telephone

The water companies were

marked lower as Ofwar, the

industry regulator, an-

nounced that it had received

a record number of com-

plaints about the utilities re-

lating to high charges and bumper profits. There were falls recorded in Anglian. Sp

market.

past three years. It paid out £59 million last year alone. and the benefit of these acquisitions and launches will start to flow through to the bottom line this year. The revamped balance sheet will give the flexibility needed to continue the spree. Robin Miller, chief executive, is convinced that with the recession showing no signs of ending, more titles will come on to the market.

Cost control has allowed the group to push operating profits for the year to March 28 marginally ahead to £33.9 million. More than £30 million has been taken out of the newspaper, business maga-zine and exhibition divisions since January 1990.

below the line.

year and the sharp improvement in profit performance seen in the second half of last year should benefit the figures for the full 12 months. Profits of £40 million are

possible, giving 16p of earnings and putting the shares on a 1993 multiple of 1712 times. The issue is worth

STOCK MARKET

# City ready for heavy bout of fundraising

up to the prospect of some hefty fundraising exercises in the next few months, which could place a strain on their funds and signal that the London market has peaked for the time being. They were told that they would be expected to dive deep into their pockets to help finance and underwrite three rights issue totalling £114 million. These are from EMAP (£77.9 million), 4p lower at 281p. BSS (£16.2 million), down 39p at 378p, and Marshalls (£20

million), 1p easier at 98p. Other fundraising operations are in the pipeline with the flotations soon of The Daily Telegraph newspaper group and GPA as well as the Wellcome share sale next month. Investors will also have to pay the second shares. Brokers believe that some institutions may have to sell shares in the market in order to meet their commitments and that this is likely to

further depress the market. Share prices made a firm start, helped by steady over-

York and Tokyo. But the lead was soon wiped out as the futures market came under selling pressure. The FT-SE 100 index closed at its low for the day, 10.4 points down at 2,635.4, as Wall Street opened sharply lower. Turnover remained thin with only 488 million shares traded.

Government securities reversed early falls of £1/16. helped by whispers that the pound is about to join the narrow band of the exchangerate mechanism.

British Aerospace was a nervous market before John Cahill, the group's new chairman, met fund managers.

BT lost an early 3p lead to finish 7 p down at 354p after Oftel, the industry's regulatory body, effectively ordered the company to cut its prices by 3.2 per cent. telephone charges are fixed 7.5 per cent below the rate of inflation as from next year. Inflation is currently running at 4.3 per cent.

Some dealers now fear that BT will be forced to cut costs drastically. During the past night performances in New couple of years, it has operat-

FT-SE INDEX (\*Closs-s)

BT: SHARES SUFFER AS OFTEL TAKES
TOUGH LINE ON PRICING

ed a programme of voluntary redundancies that has seen the workforce greatly reduced. Cable and Wireless

rental, under the new terms, is set to rise. Dealers fear C&W may also have to review its own pricing policy if it

Frogmore Estates, the property developer, fell 32p to 268p in late trading as Regalian Properties disposed of its 10 per cent placed by BZW with institutions at 265p each, raising an estimated £10.57 million. Regalian bought the stake last November, paying an estimated £14 million.

Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jen Feb Mar Apr May Jun

was also hit hard by the news wishes to compete with BT from BT with the price dropping 17p to 534p. The group rents lines from BT and line

effectively. Vodafone, the mobile telephone operator that was demereged last year from

to 434p. Bristol, 2p to 688p. North West, 4p to 419p. Severn Trent. 8p to 398p, South West. 2p to 413p, Thames, 312p to 440p, Weish, 2p to 475p, Wessex, 2p to 509p

> Tarmac chairman Sir Eric Pountain warned shareholders at the annual meeting that the building and property markets remained in a slump and that the group would plunge into the red at the half-way stage.

Meyer International, the

building products group, saw an early lead whittled away as analysts returned in a cautious mood after meeting the company. The shares finished only 3p higher at 368p. The slump in the building industry left pre-tax profits last year down £11.5 million at £24.6 million.

The insurance sector sprang to life, cheered by the news that London and Manchester, up 18p at 286p, had received approval to allocate surplus funds from its life funds to the profit and loss account. The move will add an extra £3.2 million to the £15.8 million transferred to the shareholders' account in

There were also gains for Britannic, 18p to 938p, Legal & General, 12p to 399p, Prudential, 9p to 251p, Refuge Group, 15p to 705p and United Friendly B. 11p to 418p. The composite insurers also benefited with Commercial Union adding 8p to 500p, Guardian Royal Exchange 5p to 155p, Royal Insurance 9p to 254p and Sun Alliance 4p to 312p.

MICHAEL CLARK Welpac (RFD)

# statistics this week. The Dow Jones industrial average retreated 4.14 points to 3.400.

Changes in the accounting treatment of the reorganisation costs has complicated the pre-tax line. The £27.1 million of profits recorded for last year compares with £24.8 million or £30.8 million, depending on whether various restructuring charges are taken above or

Further significant provisions are not expected this

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**MONEY MARKETS** 

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Marks Spr 3,600
Midlad Bk 14,000
NFC 735
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Kuwait dinar KD 0.530-0.537
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# Intruding into EC's private grief

elmut Schlesinger, president of the Bundesbank, might enjoy a tête-a-tête with Wales's talkative lady-in-waiting. They seem to have a lot in common. Herr Schlesinger's comments about the theoretical possibility of "one last" ERM realignment, some time before the end of the century, were innocuous when read in their context. He reiterated a long-standing Bundesbank formula that ERM parities were satisfactory at present, but that their sustainability would depend on governments meeting the convergence tests set at Maastricht. At a time like this, however, did he really expect currency dealers to worry about context?

the natural suspicion was that the Bundesbank president was deliberately aiming a kick at Germany's ERM partners while they were down. The Bundesbank has never made a secret of its distaste for monetary union. Like Euro-sceptics in the House of Commons. Herr Schlesinger must have been tempted by the Danish vote to try to kill the Maastricht Treaty once and for all. Analysts with a bent for conspiracy theory have been suggesting since last week that the Bundesbank council would vote to raise interest rates just before the French referendum,

government at all.

The role of utility regulators is changing, in the highest water charges.

Pressure will be heavy on the least efficient. Mr byatt will also be tempted to impose his suggested lower rates of return and dividend growth. A more sensible change, in terms of keeping down bills, would be to increase the proportion of capital spending funded by borrowing. Gearing could rise substantially if returns remain reasonable, though this would cramp the companies' penchant for buying other businesses on borrowed money. Mr

Carolyn Bartholomew, the Princess of

Since Herr Schlesinger is presumably less naive about the ways of the world than Mrs Bartholomew,

in the hope of encouraging a vote of "non".

Such speculation is far-fetched, as is the idea of any ERM realignment in the foreseeable future. The Bundesbank may have its own political agenda but it is not going to play Machiavellian political games with German interest rates and the future of Europe. The possibility of a realignment depends entirely on the Irish and French votes. If either country votes no, all bets are off. If the votes are positive, the EMU process should get back on course and capital will flow back into high-yielding currencies. In the meantime, even the combined might of the markets and the Bundesbank will not force a devaluation on either the lira or sterling. Realignments are settled by governments, not central banks. Britain has the strongest government in Europe, while Italy has an even better insurance against a realignment - no

# Water pressure

new populist climate, from watchdog to buildog, harrying and baiting their charges. This looks bad news for privatised water groups. Low construction inflation and capital savings have allowed all but South West to appease both investors and the director general of water services, by taking on more commitments without needing higher price limits. With peace out of fashion, however, the last thing Ian Byatt needs for his tabloid image is to agree new price formulas amicably in his five-year review. Complaints shot up at South West after he agreed price rises to accommodate the accelerated beach clean-up and are disproportionately high at the French-owned South East Water, which has the

Byatt might also question whether his metering campaign is worth the cost.

# Swift proves slow to admit new members into payments club

Bankers vote today on

whether to allow

fund managers to use their international

electronic network.

**David Rudnick** reports

bevy of bankers will assemble today in the spacious grounds of Chateau La Hulpe, outside Brussels, to cast a vote which will either defuse or ignite a dispute between bankers and fund managers that has smouldered for almost two years.

The bankers will be voting at the annual meeting of the Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunications, Swift, on whether to let fund managers into the club.

Swift was founded in 1973 by 239 banks that were desperate to improve the chaotic international interbank payments system. Previously, pay-ment messages had travelled by telex, and through a host of smaller computer systems. Lack of standardisation and security precautions meant that mistakes were common

and fraud an ever-present threat.

In the past 20 years, Swift has grown to become a powerful global network, with 2,000 banks as shareholders and more than 3,700 users, including stockbrokers, stock exchanges and even issuers of travellers' cheques. It is used for almost all large international transactions and processes 1.5 million messages, or payments, a day at a cost of only 16 Belgian francs (27p) each.

The encrypted messages pass from terminals in each bank to national processing centres. (The British centre is in Edgware, north London.) From there they go to one of two international operating centres, in Culpeper, Virginia and Zoeterwoude. in Holland. Then they are sent to their destinations, where they can be cleared efficiently.

International banks make substantial profits by charging corporate customers to use Swift. The network is a rock on which the banks' entire global custody service for fund managers is founded.

Swift grew rapidly. As it did so, it expanded its core banking membership to include participants such as stock exchanges and broker-dealers. becoming less of a bank-owned cooperative and more a commercially based service for financial institutions generally. The process was resisted by many banks and persistence and diplomacy were needed by Bessel Kok, the organisation's chief execuave, to bush it through.

Two years ago, an even bigger furore erupted over extending membership to investment fund managers. Member banks voted the proposal down. They did so again at last year's annual meeting. Only a third of the membership, led by big American money-centre banks, voted to exclude the fund managers but under Swift's rules a three-quarters majority is required to admit a new



Open minded: Robert Binney says Chase Manhattan "never needed persuading" to come out in favour

category of member. The fund managers were outraged. They want to use Swift's electronic network to trade directly in securities, rather than have to use custodian banks' payments systems. For the past year, arguments have been tossed back and forth.

A spokesman for one American bank derides any suggestion of a plot to exclude fund managers. "Any other category would have got the same response. These guys have no idea how much capital we've put into Swift to enhance its operational capacity. We don't want to admit people whose electronic messaging is not up to par." Small banks just coming on to Swift, he adds, have sometimes failed to meet its standards, and the difficulties they have caused would be compounded if small fund managers were let into the system. Big, highly-capitalised players would be acceptable but the organisation's rules allow in only whole institutional categories.

A large fund manager such as Legal & General, for instance, would oose no problems, but — to auote ti American banker - "it's only one fish in the sea." That fish has been making waves lately. Andrew Palmer. L&G's finance director, accepts that in the past new players have forced unwelcome modifications to Swift's software and "perhaps the volumes generated by these members did not warrant the expense and disruption they caused". But he does not see why entry should be denied to any new members until all existing ones are using Swift properly, and he doubts that smaller fund managers could afford the high membership charges anyway. Mr Palmer suspects that the real reason why some bankers want to exclude fund managers is their fear of - use of Swift by institutional clients to cut out custodian banks as middle-men and message agents and clients themselves.

aradoxically, that might have been brought nearer by Swift's "no" vote last June. A powerful group, led by Fidelity Investments, chaired by Morgan Grenfell Asset Management and including L&G - has been promoting its own Electronic Trade Confirmation (ETC) initiative as a rival to Swift. Christopher Smith, transactions support manager at Fidelity, says: "So many fund managers jumped on the ETC bandwagon after their exclusion from Swift that it has become a potential alternative." Tony Solway, a director of Hender-

son, another fund manag has a similar message. "ETC is creating a network between brokers and fund managers and the banks are worried that if it gets off the ground we'll both have an alternative

The smart money is increasingly on the fund managers being voted into Swift today. Mr Palmer is "quietly confident"; he says several big guns have been diligently lobbied, "We've not threatened, but persuaded them to change their mind." One such big gun, Robert Binney, senior vice-president at Chase Manhattan, says Chase never needed persuading to vote yes. "We don't want fund managers to go off and make their own money transfer arrangements; it would be nonsensical, given Swift's success as an interbank transfer system." Binney is also confident of a positive outcome tomorrow. "Swift management don't want another embarrassment like last year, when we thought we were home. They wouldn't let it go to

negative." Barclays is reported to have softened its stance, and Citibank, traditionally a stronghold of resistance to the fund managers lobby, might also be reappraising its position. "Nothing is forever," hinted John Morris, head of Citibank's investor services. Chase, Bardays and Citioank are key players: since voting rights in Swift are allocated according to a sharenoiders volume of trainc, the three currently account, on some estimates. for as much as a tenth of the poll.

another vote if they expected it to be

The strongest residual opposition is said to come from Japanese banks, with the French also anti, the Germans mixed, the Swiss discreetly pro and the British and Americans coming around. But since the vote is by secret ballot, any declarations of support from banks should perhaps be taken sceptically. Last year, Mr

Solway says, "some banks may have voted contrary to their stated

Swift itself cannot comment officially. Unofficially, however, spokesmen say they are "not unsympathetic" to the fund managers' case, and that their chances are "looking good."

The banks are sounding more relaxed about the danger of disintermediation. Terry Pearson, head of development at The Royal Bank of Scotland, voices a growing sentiment: "We have no fear of fund managers cutting into our business: custodian banks do a lot of things apart from sending messages on Swift, like tax reclaims, stock lending and general portfolio administra-tion." Mr Pearson sees overwhelming advantages to fund managers participating in Swift. "If all our customers used it, our interfaces with them would be enormously simpli-fied, since we'd have a standardised format of messages from them all, rather than a variety of messages coming at us from a variety of

enderson's Mr Solway offers a convergent fund manager's view: "We don't want to get into Swift to disintermediate but to integrate our operations more efficiently with our custodian bankers. We can leverage better deals by using bigger operations like Chase and Morgan Stanley to represent us. Their network management ensures that agents worldwide are operationally reliable and financially stable. We have no wish to compete in these areas." Swift would offer significant cost advantages to fund managers, Mr Solway adds. Instead of messages being sent out by 20 different phones or fax machines, one operation would suffice anywhere.

Going over to Swift could be more of a challenge than some enthusiasts imagine. Fund managers with banking connections, such as Morgan Grenfell (owned by Deutsche Bank) or Mercury Asset Management (a division of S.G. Warburg) might have a certain advantage in being able to link up with - and maybe even conduct tests on - their parent banks' Swift networks. "Cocktail party rumour has it," confided one insider, "that some bank-owned fund management firms have had unauthorised use of Swift through regularly accessing messages via their parent bank's network."

An unexpected upset tomorrow barring fund managers for a third time from Swift, would almost certainly mean a final parting of the ways. No one expects that they would seek entry again. It would be a defeat. too, for Swift's aspirations to emer as the dominant, if not the sold financial electronic network. A challenge from Reuters seems to have fallen by the wayside but national telecommunications networks such as British Telecom and AT&T are waiting. Electronic chaos could ensue if networks were to proliferate. What happens at La Hulpe today could have more ramifications than meet

#### On safari for a buyer

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**INSTITUTIONAL** investors who backed Themes International, the Windsor safari park leisure group that went into receivership in January, have been amazed to learn that Cork Gully, its receiver, is considering an offer for the safari park from John Rigby, former chairman and chief executive. Rigby is one of several interested buyers for the Berkshire park and while Chris Barlow, the receiver, refuses to confirm Rigby's interest, he says Cork Gully will be "duty-bound to accept the highest offer, no matter where it comes from, so long as the offer is concluded". In 1990, Rigby spent millions turning Windsor into an African style Disney theme park and any successful offer will need to be £15 million or more. Some City backers who were part of a £15 million financing by the company two years ago, are, however, expressing doubt that Rigby would be able to raise that much cash.

#### Directus success

SMALL is beautiful in Scotland. Directus, the Edinburgh firm that has caused more than its fair share of red faces in Britain's boardrooms by publicly charting the number of shares bought and sold by individual directors, employs only 14 people but has, nevertheless, been voted Scottish Business of the Year. The award of £10,000 and a glass irophy was presented last hight by co-sponsors. Scottish Television and Scottish Enterprise Directus, founded two

years ago by Angus MacDon-



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ald, 29, a former fund manager with Martin Currie, has since taken over all three of its competitors and has 200 dients - against an earlier stated target of 100. The latest product to be launched by Directus — a monthly com-pendium of the forecasts published by stockbrokers - is proving equally successful. About 90 per cent of all funds under management now pay £275 a year to subscribe to it. MacDonald says: "In response to demand from our clients, we will shortly be launching a Far Eastern compendium and a European one." As for the £10,000 prize money, MacDonald reveals that half will be donated to charity and the other half spent on the staff. "We will be buying a microwave oven and we have offered them a choice of gifts. Several have already opted for mountain bikes -

#### pany cars." Solo sale

GULU Lalvani, the marketing wizard whose Binatone consumer electronics group now

since we can't yet afford com-

demonstrated marketing finesse to hard-pressed British estate agents. He has, singlehandedly, managed to sell his house in Chester Square. London, complete with garage and roof garden — and next door to Baroness Thatcher's new abode — for £2 million, £500,000 less than his original asking price. Lalvani, frustrated by a dearth of UK purchasers for the property. which had been on the market since August last year, put the word around at a recent cocktail party he hosted in Hong Kong, where he is now based Within hours, three potential purchasers from the recessionfree colony were vying for the residence, but despite an attempted last minute £500,000 gazump. Lalvani sold it to the first comer, on the grounds that he was the most suitable neighbour for Britain's former prime minister. Lalvani, an ardent fan of Mrs Thatcher, says he is unable to disclose the identity of the purchaser, but describes him as one of the top three businessmen in Hong

outsells British Telecom, has

Flying the flag **OBSERVANT** commuters who spotted the Danish flag flying over Hambros head office at Tower Hill on Friday should not jump to conclusions about the Euro-affiliations of either Charles Hambro, chairman, or Chips Keswick, chief executive. According to a spokeswoman, the Hambros family has Scandinavian origins and has been flying the Danish flag on Danish Constitution Day, June 5, "for as long as anyone can remember".

> Cambridgeshire CAROL LEONARD

# BUSINESS LETTERS for investors

From Miss P. E. Whitlock Sir. Now that there is a move afoot to reimburse unfortunate Lloyd's "names" for their losses, could someone please tell me who will reimburse me for my unfortunate losses in stocks/shares which have been due to fraud or mismanagement within the company. I could, but will not, quote

names of companies. Or is it the old story of "one law for the rich and another for the

If successful "names" have to contribute to the unsuccessful "names" losses, would successful investors in stocks/shares like to send me a donation for my losses? Yours faithfully. P. E. WHITLÓCK, Meadow Cottage. Station Road. Kingham.

#### Men of straw?

From C.Stapleton Sir, Almost daily we read of the losses of the Names at Lloyd's and how many are facing bankruptcy. We sympa-thise, particularly as friends are involved. However, we have the majority of our assets insured through this market and renewal is approaching. But how we can be sure that, in the event of a claim, the syndicate(s) will be able to pay? The insurer takes great care in getting all required details from us but we get nothing in return and could well be "covered" by men of straw. An authoritative reply, preferably from an informed third party. would be very welcome. Yours sincerely. C. STAPLETON. Ramsey Road.

St Ives.

#### **Compensation** Lloyd's levy on names to replenish its central fund

From Mr Simon Reynolds Sir. My wife and I are both members of Lloyd's, having joined through separate agents and on separate syndicates in the mid-1980s. This is the second year that we are attempting to cope with a steady attrition, insufficient to trigger expensive stop-loss policies but enough to wreck the financial harmony of family life. As names who have hitherto attempted to "stay with" Lloyd's we are horrified at the Council's arbitrary charge of a further 1.66 per cent levy on the premium underwritten of all names, retrospectively over the years

past and future losses, with the ever increasing number of open years, a further £11,620 per year: others will suffer much more. Why did Lloyd's not bolster their reserves in the good years and indeed how do they justify their recent expenditure on their "white elephant of a premises? In these times of trial we

names have to have recourse to bankers to loan funds to meet our losses, why does Lloyd's "good name" prohibit the same course of refuge?

Has it taken the Council so many months only to work out how they can force their legally bound, long suffering names

that the Directors of Chatset

were but mere amateurs. Ap-

longer able to provide? This decision appears to have been taken without preconsultation with Members' Agents, not to mention the

names and their so-called 'rights". Agents should fully advise their names as to what this directive entails and surely the ALM must rally to the support of their members and oppose this directive. Such treatment of names will certainly neither encourage loyalty nor attract membership.

Yours faithfully, SIMON REYNOLDS, 64 Lonsdale Road, SW1.

ing that for this year at least,

Chatset had understated the

case, and that he had been

hopelessly wrong, said that,

"Chatset are living in cloud

cuckoo land". After Mr

Archard has polled his agents

again, perhaps he might pon-

der that many Names think

that if there be April fools and

cuckoos around they are not

employed by Chatset, and, by

1991, if he is wrong, yet

#### **Engineers** will cost us, over and above our to contribute the money needto Japan ed to top up the funds that their bankrupt brethren are no

From Ms Anne Kensell Sir, M. Bright in his letter (Business Letters, May 29) suggests that Mr Heseltine should invest in Japanese officials to boost the DTI. Had he thought that it might be more useful to send UK engineers to learn about Japanese industry? The Fellowship of Engineering runs a scheme to second young engineers to Japanese companies for periods of up to a year. The DT; pays half the costs. Since 1991, when the scheme was established, more than 20 engineers have taken advantage and another 80 are expected to do so over the next three years. The scheme is open to qualified engineers who are destined for management positions in their own companies. When they return to the UK they are expected to present a report and give talks on their experience, thus widening the circle of people who benefit from knowledge of Japanese best practice. I am happy to provide more details. Yours sincerely, ANNE KENSALL, (Manager, Engineers to Japan Scheme), The Fellowship of Engineering. 2 Little Smith Street.

# No cuckoos so far

1990, 1991 and 1992. This

From Mr T Benyon Sir, Sir James Goldsmith once

said that people who were consistently wrong were of immense value: fortunes could be made by trading against them. In January, Charset, the Lloyd's analysts who have an enviable record for getting their sums right, forecast that Lloyd's overall would lose over £1.35 billion for 1989. They added that this was, in their view, a conservative estimate. Mr Paul Archard, Chairman of the LUAA, the representative body to 100 agents, instantly pronounced that Charset were hopelessly wrong and rumours were circulated

Post Office policy

Sir, I am grateful for TNT's recognition of the improve-

ment Royal Mail has achieved

in the letter service. I share Sir

Raymond Lygo's concern that

investments made by Parcel-

force should use commercial

rates of return and assure him

From the Chairman of

The Post Office

parently. Mr Archard then busied himself with a poll of the agents to see if what he had said was in fact right. 1992 has not been a good year for pollsters. In March, the agents said the losses would be £1.1 billion to £1.6 billion. This result was used by the Association of Lloyd's Mem-

bers who attributed its source to the LUAA. On April 1, in your columns, Paul Archard wrote that this forecast was an April Fool's joke. Yesterday Chatset forecast

revised losses for 1989 in excess of £2 billion; then £1 billion for 1990 and £0.75 billion for 1991. On cue, Mr Archard, presumably conced-

government policy, which we follow, that the Post Office should not cross-subsidise from its monopoly to its nonmonopoly activities. We wish to compete with others on a

that this is the case. It is

fair basis. Yours faithfully, SIR BRYAN NICHOLSON. Chairman & Chief Executive. The Post Office Headquarters. 30 St James's Square, SW1.

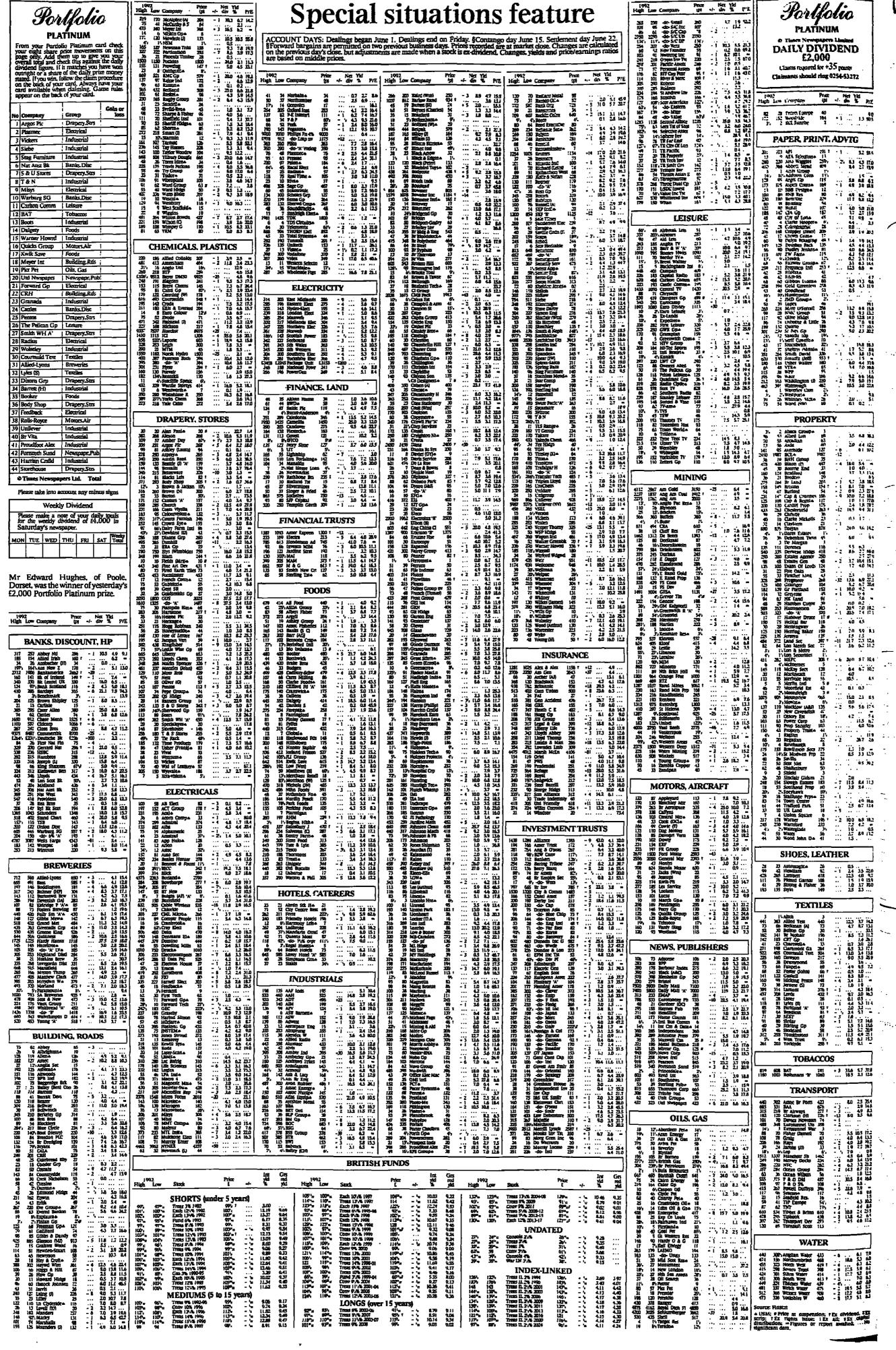
again, Sir James might be in touch with him. Yours sincerely. TOM BENYÓN. The Society of Names, The Old Rectory. Adstock, Bucks

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# Cochrane can collect a double

RAY Cochrane has sound prospects of landing a double at Kempton Park this evening on El Volador (8.35) and Amoruccio (9.05).

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Those present at Goodwood last month could have only admired his sang froid when he extricated El Volador from a tricky pos- ition before going on to capture the Chichester Festival Theatre Handicap.

Now the combination appears to have an equally good chance of winning the Kier Handicap since Monarda and Mahfil, two of those who behind at

up to Dazzle The Crowd at Brighton.

Since he was a good second to Top Royal on his only subsequent start, that form also looks reliable so El Volador gets my vote in preference to Snow Blizzard, who has been penalised for win-

ning at Folkestone last week. While form students will be choosing between Fieldridge, Milzig, Reflecting, Guilty Secret and Pippin Park for the Richard Ellis Maiden Stakes, I am reliably informed that Cochrane can expect a profitable ride on the Guy Harwood-trained new-

#### WARNESS OF THE STATE OF THE STA

MICHAEL PHILLIPS

Earlier in the programme, Cochrane would also have a good chance of winning the Fairclough Maiden Fillies' Stakes on Raven Runner if she could reproduce last year's form when she was placed on today's track and at

Ascot. However, as her only outing this term was a bit disappointing, she may be beaten this time by Goodnitcout. who was only half-a-length

equally well to finish fourth in the Hyperion Stakes at Ascot. As far as the Strutt & Parker Handicap is concerned. I like none better than the Julie Cecil-trained Aramef even though he is burdened with top weight. The selection stuck to his task in a a most determined fashion at Newbury last time out when he finished a close

fourth behind Belgran.

Later, Goodniteout ran

For those in the non-racing equine world the highlight of this meeting will be the Gouldens Olympic Riders Invitation Stakes for which Bengal Tiger, the mount of John Whitaker, is my tentanap, though, is entrusted to

that promising apprentice David Harrison who rides

Lady Roxanne in the Not-tinghamshire Coal Maiden

Stakes on the all-weather

track at Southwell. Harrison

rode this filly when she was

beaten just half-a-length by

Venture Capitalist over six

furlongs at Salisbury first

Judged on the way that she

finished that day, today's

slightly longer distance will

time out this year.

# Marling leads strong Wragg assault on Royal Ascot

GEOFF Wragg, whose horses are in outstanding form, is planning one of his biggest assaults on Royal Ascot next week (Richard Evans writes). Up to 13 of his 60-strong string could race over the four

days, headed by Marling, the Irish 1,000 Guineas winner. The daughter of Lomond, successful in the Queen Mary Stakes at last year's meeting, runs in the Coronation Stakes on Wednesday, the same day as Dorset Duke lines up for

Jeune, impressive winner of the Predominate Stakes, will run in the King Edward VII Stakes on the opening day of the meeting, while Young Buster is pencilled in for the Prince of Wales's Stakes after undergoing regular swim-

ming exercise.
Petardia will go for the Coventry Stakes or Norfolk

Arcadian Heights has the going well in the final stages.

Gold Cup as his target on Cauthen described Arazi as Thursday while Nuryandra

Meanwhile, Arazi completed a gallop at Chantilly yesterday, but there was still no decision on whether the French colt will run in the St James's Palce Stakes at Royal

Ascot next Tuesday. The Francois Boutintrained colt, partnered by Steve Cauthen, worked over a mile with two stable companions and appeared to be

Cauthen described Arazi as "really relaxed" but Shaikh stud manager said: "I will situation with mmed and the any decision is

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BETTING: 4-1 Theward, 5-1 Katab. 6-1 Super Summit. Royal Girl, 8-1 Creago, Harlaquin Girl, Young Musician, 12-1 Bellatrix, 14-1 Master Hyde, Spanish Express, 18-1 others.

1991: VELOCE 3-9-6 J Fortune (10-1) M O'Neill 11 ran FORM FOCUS

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4.30 POLYGON QUALITY MANAGEMENT MAIDEN STAKES  (£2,188: 7f 100yd) (9 runners)  1 (9) AUBORA LAD 85J (D Lever) Mrs S Smith 5-9-7						
FAIRFORD 1½1 2nd of 4 to Forest Dew in maiden here (71 100yd, timt). KALKO 138 6th of 9 to Scandal-monger in Chepetow (1m., good to firm) maiden: BANDOLINE 71 5th of 12 to Doyce in Edinburgh earlier 4½1 5th of 17 to Cambrian in Kempton (1m., good) maiden. DANCING PET 238 6th of 7 to Scottish Perk in maiden (71 100yd, timt) here. MUSIC IN MY LIFE 9½1 4th of 8 to Anne Bonny in TRADERS DREAM 11 3rd of 13 to Usfaz in Lingfield (71, firm) maiden. WHITRIGG LAD 101 text of 4 to Selection: KALKO						
5.00 NEW UNIVERSITY MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,441: 1m 3f 216yd) (11 runners)						
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8_05 GOULDENS OLYMPIC RIDERS INVITATION STAKES  (Limited handicap: £2,200: 1m 1f) (11' runners)  1 (10) 8034-20 CAUSLEY 44 (BF,F,G,S) (H Pearce) B McMahon 7-12-0						
8.35 KIER HANDICAP (£3,340: 1m 4f) (12 runners)  1 (4) 30-2840 RARE DETAIL 9 (D,G.5) (Y Akazawa) Mrs L Piggott 48-10						

BETTING: 7-2 Snow Bizzard, 4-1 El Volador, 5-1 Mehraşan, 6-1 Taylors Prince, 8-1 Puff Puff, Sharp Top, 10-1 Good For A Loan, Rare Detail, 12-1 Llabelty Order, Statistick, 14-1 others.

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3.30 GELDER & KITCHEN CENTENARY SPRINT HANDICAP  (£2,774: 5f) (12 runners)  1 (12) 541030 DRUM SERGEANT 18 (B.D.S) (W Selers) J Parkes 5-9-10	3. 15 GALA CLUBS MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,422: 61) (11)  MANDARIN 2.15 Coastal Express. 2.45 Clangold. 3.15 Zilfi. 3.45 LADY ROXANNE (nap). 4.15 Modesto. 4.45 Hinari Video. THUNDERER 2.15 Nest. 2.45 Toff Sundar. 3.15 Zilfi. 3.45 Lady Roxanne. 4.15 Mizyan. 4.45 Barbezieux. Richard Evans: 3.45 Lady Roxanne.  GOING: STANDARD SIS DRAW: 5F-1M, LOW NUMBERS BEST  SIGNAL CLUBS MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,422: 61) (11)  1 0 APOLLO DE ORIENTE 30 J Warminght 90 W Newnes 8 W Newnes 8  2 0 BiG GEM 8 N Chapmen 90 GREEN SWORD W O'Gormen 90 Errien GOEMEN SWORD W O'Gormen 90 Errien C'Gormen 2 GOING: STANDARD SIS MAJOR TRIUMPH 32 M Tomphina 99 MAJOR TRIUMPH 32 M T
PRUM SERGEANT deed-heating % 3rd of 10 to Tongue Tied in Newmarket (St. good to firm) handscap with YES (2b better off) is 9th. SAMMY SLEW 19th 19th 19th 19th 19th 19th 19th 19th	2.15 SHOPPACHECK HANDICAP (3-Y-O: E2,623: 1m) (16 runners)  1 0681 COASTAL EXPRESS 18 (C,G) E Weymes 9-7  2 -000 MOLTEN COPPER 43 (C,D,F) M W Eastarby 9-4  4 -060 LEDNADIS POLK 9 (F) W Pearce 9-0. D Nichola 8  5 300 GRAND FELLOW 18 (B) J Beithel 8-11. A Murro 14  6 0013 SIE AMATIO 18 (CD) J H Wilson 8-9. G Cartler 9  7 65-4 ROXY MUSIC 18 (F) G Princherd-Gordon 9-8  9 -000 TRAINIEE 28 W Hasgas 8-7. M Day 16  10 30-0 MATE ROYALE 8 (B) G Bravery 8-7. D M Hillis 5  11 3005 MILL BURN 25 (Campbel 8-5. D Biggs (3) 10  12 00-0 ROSTAND HERO 67 H Cobergradps 8-4. M Hows 2  13 2-54 SPRAY OF ORCHIDS 7 J Ethernston 8-3  14 00-4 SPECIALIST DREAM 15 L Codd 8-2. W Smith 11  15 2200 HIGH SUCCESS 18 W O'Gorman 8-2  Etherns O'Gorman 8-
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BELIEVE IT 20I 13th of 15 to Balmbarbi in Kempton (1m 1f, good) malden on reappasrance; earlier 5i 4th of 15 to Pabouche in Leicester (1m, firm) maiden less season. HaZAAF 10K 6th of 8 to Little Bean in Yarmouth (1m, good) maiden.  St Lager. TOUR LEADER 10i 3rd of 7 to Eden's Close in Edinburgh (1m 3f, good to firm) stakes race. ZAMAAN YA ZAMANN 83 3rd of 8 to Young season. HAZAAF 10K 6th of 8 to Little Bean in Yarmouth (1m, good) maiden. BETELGEUSE 11ki 5th of 9 to Pairridge in Brighton (1m 2f, good to firm) maiden. BETELGEUSE 11ki 5th of 9 to Pairridge in Brighton (1m 2f, firm) maiden LADY DUNDEE 8ki 4th of 8 to Polish Blue in Haydock (1m 2f 120yd, maiden. Selection: ZAMAAN YA ZAMAAN  7.35 STRUTT & PARKER HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £2,820: 1m 6f) (6 runners)  1 (4) D-124 AREMEF 26 (6) (Lord Patresham) Mrs J Cool 9-7	7.00 LANGS SUPREME SCOTCH WHISKY HANDICAP (£2,807: 5f 4yd) (5 runners)  1 -036 PRINCE BELFORT 7 (D,F) M Naughton 4-10-0 J Wearer (5) 5 2 -051 DIET 12 (V,C,D,F,G,S) Miss L Perrati 6-9-13 3 3055 LOMBARD OCEAN 4 (D,F) M O'Neis 9-9-3 5 Malconey (5) 4 4 6006 NEVADA MIX 15 (C,F,G) Miss L Perrati 8-8-5 G Duffield 1 5 0/00- OKAKU 348 D Burchell 5-7-7
6 (3) 41-0240 A A BAMBA 4 (F) (N HB) N Calaghan 7-9	1 2 CAPTAIN LE SAUX 8 M Bell 90. M Hais 8 2 GRUMPYS GRAIN Miss L Perrett 90 J Ferning (3) 7 3 LOFTY DEED M Prescript 90. Dean McKoown 6 5 4483 PRINCIPAL PLAYER 12 W Bentley 90. J Lowe 2 8 STORM VENTURE W Pearce 90 D Michols 5 7 5 LIMBUBUZI 19 F Lee 90. J Carroll 3 9 00 SELVOLE 14 (V) Miss L Perrett 89. B Raymond 8 11-4 Captain Lo Seaz, 7-2 Lotty Deed, 9-2 Principal Player, 6-1 White Creek, 8-1 Milingavie, 10-1 Limbubuzi, 12-1 others.  8 00 FIT-THE-BEST EVEREST HANDICAP (3-Y-O: \$2,259: 6f 5yd) (6) 1 -560 DANDY DESIRE 9 8 Morgan 9-7. G Duffield 8
Long handlosp: Jerras 10-1, Always Ready 9-10, Gibbot 9-6.  BETTING: 5-2 Bengel Tiger, 7-2 Shring Jewel, 9-2 Causley, 6-1 Arrastra, 8-1 Jurran, 10-1 Shrewd Girl, 12-1 Fresky Deaky, 14-1 Always Ready, 15-1 others.  1991: NO CORRESPONDING RACE   KIER HANDICAP (£3,340: 1m 4f) (12 runners)  (4) 30-2840 RARE DETAIL 9 (D,G.5) (Y Akazews) Mrs L Piggott 48-10	Salisbury  Going good to firm 2.30 (5f) 1, HAMSAH (W Careon, 7-4 it. fev), 2, Musical Prospect (M Roberts, 3-1); 3, Avril Etolle (C Avery, 50-1), Also RAM: 7-4 it. fev) (20, Musical Prospect (M Roberts, 3-1); 3, Avril Etolle (C Avery, 50-1), Also RAM: 7-4 it. fev) (20, Musical Prospect (M Roberts, 3-1); 3, Avril Etolle (C Avery, 50-1), Also RAM: 7-4 it. fev) (20, Musical Prospect (M Roberts, 3-1); 3, Avril Etolle (C Avery, 50-1), Also RAM: 7-4 it. fev) (20, Musical Prospect (M Roberts, 3-1); 3, Avril Etolle (C Avery, 50-1), Also RAM: 7-2 Carusesiam. 5 Robert (M Roberts, 12-1); 2, Crystal Cross (S O'Gorman, 13-6 Inv), 12-5 Ayr Raider (5th), 10 pr. 12-90, CSF: 27-73. Imin 0.55esc. 3.00 (1m 45) 1, LOBINDA (M Roberts, 12-1); 2, Crystal Cross (S O'Gorman, 13-6 Iavr), 3, Broom (side (F Norton, 6-1), Also RAM: 7-2 Guessiamston, 11-2 September 20, State State State (10-1); 3, Prose (10

Fig. 2. Seal indept (4th), 8 figen, 9 Mess Witch, 16 Cefa Brady, 20 Shar Emblem (5th), 10 Rushing at Arundel, 7ote: 210.20; 23.30, 21.30, 21.90, DF, 213.50.

See 1. Seal indept (4th), 25 Sering (8th), 25 Sering 9.05 RICHARD ELLIS MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-C): £2,721: 1m 2f) (16 runners)

1 (4) ALZEM (Melitoum A-Maixtourn) M Stoute 9-0 WR Swinburn
2 (12) ALDAVERA (P Weldron) M Droon 9-0 Date Gibson R Cochrane
3 (11) AMORUCCIO (J. Garce-Roady) G Herwood 9-0 R Cochrane
4 (3) 25 FIELDRIDGE 257 (Mrs W Tulboch) C Nelson 9-0 Date Gibson R Cochrane
5 (15) JOVIAL MAN (Mrs. J Els) S Melito 8-0 J Welliams
6 (11) MARADONNA (G Leight) L Commit 9-0 L Deutori 7 (10) 55234-2 Mil.216 8 (Mrs. J Orlesson) D Eisworth 9-0 T Cudnn 96 (11) S 25234-2 Mil.216 8 (Mrs. J Orlesson) D Eisworth 9-0 J Cudnn 96 (13) 000-0 TRIPLE TROUBLE 12 (N. Echnel) H Codingradge 9-0 J Cudnn 11 (8) BUSTINETTA (B Nelson) J Fanshawe 8-8 BUSTINETTA (B Nelson) J Fanshawe 8-8 C Rutter 80 (14) 28- GUILTY SECRET 251 (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hymm 9-9 Paul Eddery 9-1 LYCIAN MOON (N Deni) J Dunlop 9-9 L LYCIAN MOON (N Deni) J Dunlop 9-9 C Rutter 80 (14) 28- GUILTY SECRET 251 (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hymm 9-9 Paul Eddery 9-1 LYCIAN MOON (N Deni) J Dunlop 9-9 C Rutter 80 (14) 12 (14) 28- GUILTY SECRET 251 (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hymm 9-9 Paul Eddery 9-1 (15) 20 may be accepted over the telephone. For publication the following day please

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# Kent seek restart to their run as one-day wonders

By Alan Lee, cricket correspondent

KENT were the acknowledged masters of one-day cricket in the late 1970s, a title they grudgingly bequeathed to Somerset. For the past nine years, however, a hiatus in the affairs of both counties has extended to the point where their supporters can barely recall success, and no longer expect it. The renaissance could begin today.

While Kent should start as favourites to reach the final of the Benson and Hedges Cup by beating Surrey at Canterbury. Somerset are distinct underdogs against Hampshire at Southampton. This, however, has been their role since the cup programme began and their relish for it is Nobody can claim that Kent

are back to the strength of their palmy days, when Luckhurst, Asif Iqbal, Knott and Underwood were the central characters in the capture of seven one-day trophies between 1972 and 1978. Equally, when Somerset won five competitions in the succeeding five years, Richards, Botham and Garner gave them a charismatic power the present side cannot hope to approach.

The transitional years have been long and, in each case, rebirth has been painful. Somerset still bear the scars of the turmoil at Taunton that preceded the exit of all three luminaries, while Kent's last two captains have both been controversially removed.

Oddly enough, the first of them. Chris Tavaré, who played in Kent's last Benson and Hedges Cup final win 14

Somerser. Following a weekend off to attend the birth of his first child, he returns to lead them today against a team who are arguably the most confident and versatile in

Hampshire beat both Lancashire, the holders, and Essex, the favourites, at the group stage, and never had to engage top gear in swamping Middlesex in the quarterfinal. As they are also top of the county championship. their position at 6-4 favourites

for the cup is hard to dispute. Three of today's semi-finalists have failed to win any of the three leading one-day competitions since 1983. In the interim, Hampshire have won them all and form indicates they will be increasing their new-found familiarity with cup finals at Lord's on

Having failed to reach a single final in the first 25 years of knockout cricket, Hamp-

#### TEAMS

At Canterbury

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shire have now played in, and won, two in the past four years. The unexpected common denominator is that both finals occurred in West Indies touring seasons, a fact which leaves Malcolm Marshall among the most frustrated of

This void in his wonderful career was one motivation for Marshall signing a new contract with Hampshire and, despite suffering recently with both ankle and back strains, he will be operating at full throttle today against a Somerset batting order in which Mark Lathwell's precocious talent receives another big-

Hampshire also hope to have Paul Terry back, following a dislocated thumb, to resume his opening pairing with the prolific Tony Middle-ton. Richard Snell and Neil Mallender, key bowlers for Somerset, have been passed fit

Both Kent and Surrey, however, will be without front-line seam bowlers. Chris Penn has already been ruled out by for whom Alan Igglesden is doubtful, and Surrey's South African pace bowler. Rudi Bryson, will be absent with sore shins.

On the slow Canterbury pitch, however, the most influential bowlers are likely to be a good bit slower than Bryson and both teams plan to include two spinners. Kent, who have played with such conviction throughout the competition, should win again but, though logic insists that Hampshire will prevail at Southampton, beware the rampant underdogs.

# Lenham sees Sussex to final

By Our Sports Staff

HARROGATE (Durham won toss): Sussex beat Durham by

NEIL Lenham took four wickets for 32 in 11 overs to inspire Sussex to a 37-run win over Durham in the first semi-final of the Tilcon Trophy at the Harrogate festival.

Sussex were put in and reduced to 57 for five from early on However, they recovered to 214 for eight from their 55 overs thanks to a stand of 96 in 21 overs between their captain. Alan Wells and Martin Speight, who made the match's top

score of 71 from 91 balls. ian Smith was Durham's most successful bowler with three for 34 from 11 overs and Durham made steady

progress until tea, when they were 95 for two after 25

But they collapsed to the medium pace of Lenham and the hostility of Franklyn Stephenson, who mopped up the innings to finish with three for

Smith was left stranded with 35 not out as Durham, missing Botham, who is nursing a for 177 in 48.3 overs. Dean Jones, their Australian Test batsman, was dismissed cheaply by his Sussex namesake, Adrian.

On Thursday, Sussex meet the winners of the match between Yorkshire and Glamorgan, which will be played

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ham than he had in four

seasons with Northampton-

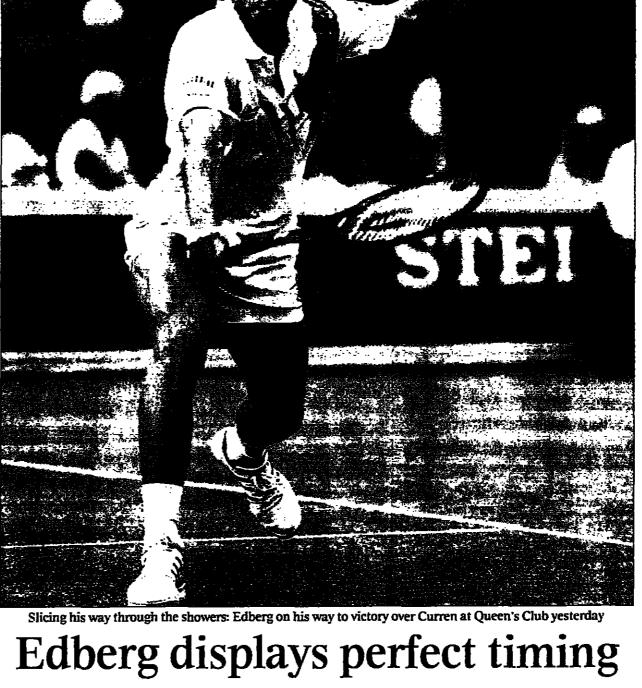
# First blood to Brown

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SIMON Brown, the Durham fast bowler, won the summer's shire, whom he left last season to return to his native northeast. first Whittingdale young crick-Brown took the award eter award yesterday. From the start of the season to the

eligible to England-qualified players who were under 23 end of May, Brown claimed and had not played at interna-28 championship wickets at 21.89 each and played a big tional level when the season part in Durham's first fourbegan - from Shuan Udal, of day victory — over Glamorgan at Cardiff — with match Hampshire, and Ian Salisbury, of Sussex.

☐ Chris Lewis, the England all-rounder, who sustained a toe injury during the first Test. has declared himself fit for Nottinghamshire's match with the Pakistanis today.



BY ALIX RAMSAY

STEFAN Edberg may not be the most flamboyant character on the tennis circuit, but he has a sense of timing most showmen would die for.

As he served his fifth ace past Kevin Curren to reach the third round of the Stella Artois tournament, winning 7-6, 6-2, the thunderstorm that had been threatening all afternoon hit the Queen's Club, sending the occupants of the packed stands flying for cover.

With the question being whether he could beat both his opponent and the weather. Edberg kept everyone - including Curren - on tenterhooks. Curren proved a difficult challenge, and while it may be seven years since he reached the final at Wimble-

don, he showed he had lost none of his guile or power. Both men seemed to enjoy the chance to get back on their favourite surface, and both paraded their repertoire of touch and style at the net. It was only in the tie-break

that Edberg made the breakthrough, finally taking the set with a simple volley as Curren lost his footing. As the thunder rumbled ominously, Edberg managed to keep his grip on the match while Curren was having trouble keeping his balance on the turf. But, serving for the match, Edberg found himself two break points down, with the rain spotting the court and

time running out.

He seemed to take an age to reach match point, but when it now," he said. "But he's

Looking towards Wimbledon, Edberg has put the disappointments of Paris behind him and is relishing the coming weeks. "I'm feeling fresh, I know

I'm playing well and I love playing on grass," he said. "Kevin is a good grass-court player and I knew I had to play pretty well to beat him, so I am satisfied. You always feel better when you've played your first match." While Edberg is hard at

work in rain-sodden Earls Court, Jim Courier is taking a well-earned rest at home in the United States. But the thought of a rejuvenated and refreshed Courier holds no fear for

working very hard and things

are running well for him. There are not many guys who can beat him at the moment but I think I'm one of them." Only five matches were

completed yesterday, but it was one too many for Danny Sapsford, who double-faulted his way to defeat, going out 6i, 6-4 to Amos Mansdorf. it was not a good day for the

British player. A break down in the second set, the rain started, but not even the delay could save him. He played a little better on the resumption but Mansdorf, the former Israeli soldier, wasted little time in giving him his marching orders.

RESULTS: First round: A Manadorf (Isr) bt D Sepsford (GB), 6-1, 6-4, T Woodbindge (Aus) bt D Manceling (Br), 6-7, 6-3, 6-1, F Monitana (US) bt D Nestor (Can), 4-6, 7-6, 0: T Martin (US) bt D Pate (US), 3-6, 6-3, 6-7 Second round: S Edberg (Swe) bt K Curren (SA), 7-6, 6-2

**RUGBY UNION** 

Grunfeld keeps double keeps a steady nerve received

BY BARRY WOOD

AMANDA Grunfeld showed commendable resilience in surviving a match point to defeat Agnes Blumberga 4-6, 7-6, 6-4 and reach the second round of the Dow Classic at Edghasion yesterday.
Grunfeld, aged 25, from
Lancashire, has always exhib-

ited fighting qualities and vesterday she also showed intelligence in identifying why she was struggling against an apponent who produced some leys that kept low on the grass. "I realised I was backing of

the ball, and thought that if I was going to lose I'd at least lose going forward and doing the right thing." Grunfeld

Jo Durie also enjoyed a good day, defeating Jessica Emmons, of the United States, 6-3, 6-1. Durie dropped only one point in the first three combined with excellent covering at the net, ensured that she was always in control.

Other Britons were not we successful. Sarah Loosemore was beaten 6-3, 6-1 by Kristine Radford, the Australian, and Clare Wood lost 6-2, 6-7, 6-1 to Mariaan de Swardt of South Africa.

The Women's Tennis Association is planning to carry ou a survey of its members over drug testing, following Steffi Graf's recent assertion that she knows of nobody who has been checked. Twenty per cen of both seeded and unseedec players should be randomly tested at all tournaments and penalties for those guilty o drug misuse are severe.

Steroid users are suspended for nine months, with a life ban for a second offence Refusal to give a sample carries a nine-month suspen sion and the use of stimulant leads to counselling with a six month suspension for a fourth

The survey may also see decisions on whether all semi finalists and finalists shoukbe tested and whether the lis of banned drugs should b extended to match that of th International Olympic Con

**GOLF** 

# **Curtis Cup reserves** have point to prove

By Patricia Davies

SIXTY years on from Enid Wilson's win in the first British women's championship to be held at Saunton, in 1932. the golf had faded into insignificance for her, as it undoubtedly will for most of the competitors in the second championship there, which

"I quite enjoyed it," Wilson, who won the title in 1931, '32 and '33, said. "I saw a young cuckoo and there was a lot of wildlife and wild flowers."

Saunton, in north Devon, is still renowned for its wild flowers and this is the time of year to see them at their best. The club handbook lists the varieties of orchid to be seen and recommends keeping an eye out for goat's beard, wild mignonette, fumitory, moonwort and red bartsia, among

The ornithologists and botanists will be in their element, distracted to concentrate on their golf. Wilson overcame that, never being taken beyond the 16th, even by Glenna Collett Vare and Leona Cheney, members of the United States team that competed in the first Curtis Cup the

This year, all eight of the American side that lost the nail-bitingly close match at Hoylake last week are competing, along with Judy Oliver, their captain. Seven of the home side are playing, with only Elaine Farquharson deciding it was too much of a strain so soon after the Curtis

Less exhausted, and with a point to prove, will be the three Curtis Cup reserves who won their national titles last month: Janice Moodie, of Scotland, Julie Foster, of Wales and Eileen Rose Power, of Ireland. They will be joined by Mary McKenna, the Irishwoman.

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FROM ALAN LORIMER IN TAMWORTH SCOTLAND achieved the

first win of their-tour when they beat New South Wales Country in the Scully Stadium Although their coach.

Richie Dixon, suggested it was a better win than the score suggested, the touring side failed to make the best use of the steady supply of possession from a pack in which Chris Gray and Damian Cronin at last performed well. Cronin in particular ad-

vanced his case for a recall to the full Scotland side. The London Scot, together with Gray and, towards the end of the game, Andy Macdonald. helped Scotland win a massive amount of ball at the lineout. Macdonald, who joined the touring party only on Sunday.

looked impressively mobile.

and may have prompted the

selectors to consider him for

splendid run that ended with Gregor Townsend crossing for



Cronin: back to his best

**Cronin puts Scots in control** 

the No. 8 position against Australia on Saturday.

Scotland's backs did not make the best use of the ball. partly because David Millard. the scrum half, is far below his best and partly because the young midfield backs were too anxious to offload the ball against a well organised

Derek Bain did produce one



Scotland's third try. Bain, though, went off with a groin. strain and it later transpired in the that Tony Stanger was suffer ing from flu and may miss the all the

international. Alan Watt forced his mas and sive frame over the line from close range for Scotland's firs, try, and although New South Wales Country reduced the lead with a try by Stever Heanly, Millard put the Scott further ahead with a try from

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# All systems go for Sunday launch at Doncaster

SUNDAY racing with legal betting, the crock of gold at the end of Britain's racing rainbow, moved a step nearer yesterday when the Jockey Club announced plans for a seven-race card at Doncaster on July 26.

Although on and off-course cash betting will not be allowed at the Sunday meeting, punters will be able to telephone bets from home or the track - using mobile or conventional phones — to bookmakers, or bet the previ-

After being continually thwarted by Westminster and government, the Coral 1st Sunday race meeting is a triumph for the progressive thinking of the Jockey Club. Coral — which has taken a

Richard Evans. Racing Correspondent, reports on Jockey Club plans for Britain's first Sunday meeting

positive view in contrast to Ladbrokes - and the Doncaster executive. The Betting, Gaming and

Lotteries Act, which prevents cash betting on Sundays, effectively means racing is barred from attracting the public on a day that is increasingly the favourite lei-sure day of the week. Britain is the only leading racing nation in the world without

Sunday racing. Three private members' bills have failed to change the law and, more recently, the

government poured cold water on a recommendation from the home affairs select committee suggesting reform to betting legislation. The Jockey Club, a bastion

of conservatism and reactionary forces down the years, therefore decided to opt for direct action - normally the tactics and language of the revolutionary and radical.

The product is to be applauded although Nigel Clark, chairman of the club's Sunday racing campaign committee. was quick to warn vesterday that the Doncaster meeting could not be a mirror image of a normal day's

an opportunity for racegoers and racing enthusiasts to send a clear and powerful message to Parliament," he "We want the government

to be fully aware of the publicity which this event has generated, and for them to recognise and understand the reason behind it. We want ministers to be left in no doubt that the discrimination which horse racing now suffers cannot be allowed to continue,'

Kenneth Clarke, the home secretary, has been invited to attend the Sunday meeting. Whether he accepts or not, he would be wise to note the ground swell of support for Sunday racing — backed up by statistical research - and

trotted out by his officials for

not changing the law. Coral will be offering prices on the Sunday races the previous day. On the Sunday all bets will be taken at Tole odds and passed to Tote Credit's Wigan headquarters for inclusion in the respective

televised by Channel 4, while seven sponsors - Coral Cheveley Park Stud, the Mail on Sunday. Tripleprint. Virgin Atlantic, the European Breeders' Fund and Weatherbys — are helping to provide £81,000 prize-money that will be added to stakes. The Doncaster executive is going out of its way to make the Sunday a family day out.

Five of the races will be

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Real are left reeling

# Barcelona double ecstatically received

FROM RUPERT WIDDICOMBE IN BARCELONA

ON SUNDAY night the streets of Barcelona erupted in celebration for the second in celebration for the second nime in three weeks. Perhaps 50,000 people descended, as tradition demands, on the Canaletas drinking fountain on the Rambias, the city's famous tree-lined avenue, to celebrate a Spanish league title squandered by Real Madrid and won by Barcelona.
All over the city, as loud as the victory songs and ritual derision for hated Madrid, came chants of Tenerife, Tenerife. Tenerife.

Barcelona have a lot to thank the Canary Island's team for. Just out of the relegation zone, Tenerife were two down at home with 28 minutes gone in the last game of the season and Real's 23rd nitle seemed a certainty.

At the same time at the Camp Nou stadium, with their hopes of the league seemingly forgotten, Barcelona were relaxed. They were full of confidence against Athletic Bilbao, having won the European Cup at Wembley and having scored ten goals in the two games since.
Hopes of the double returned with Tenerife's first goal and when they scored a second and a third in the space of a minute the celebrations began. The city's authorities now have to decide where and when to present the trophy. Around a million people took to the streets to celebrate the European Cup triumph. The traditional venue, the square where the local and regional government buildings face each other, could not cope with the crush of more than 10,000 people and the pressure from the 50,000 that 'filled the surrounding street.

The Joy

For Barcelona, in Olympic year, nothing could be sweeter than their footballing dou-ble and the humiliation of Real Madrid. The rivalry  $e^{i\hbar m_{\Lambda}}$  with Real and the reasons for Barcelona's massive follow-

recent history. During the 39 years of General Franco's dictatorship, regional autonomy was stripped from Catalonia and its language banned. In those days, when El Barca beat Real Madrid, Franco's favoured team, it was as much a victory against dictatorship and hated centralisation as league points.

Real's five successive wins Kear's five successive wins in the European Cup in the 1950s leant Spain some of

the international respect denied to Franco's regime. The rivalry did not die with Franco in 1975. Real's dominance of the league in recent years has made clinching the title of national champions the ultimate prize. Barcelona's clear victory in the league last year made victory in the European Cup the main goal

Since 1978, Barcelona have won the league three times, the cup on four occa-sions and the league cup wice. Their record in Europe is also impressive, the club taking part in European competitions every season since it began in 1957-58. But despite winning the European Cup Winners' Cup once and the Uefa Cup three times, the European Cup had until re-cently eluded them. Real Madrid's success in the competition and Barcelona's defeat in two finals, once on penalties, made winning the European Cup of supreme importance.

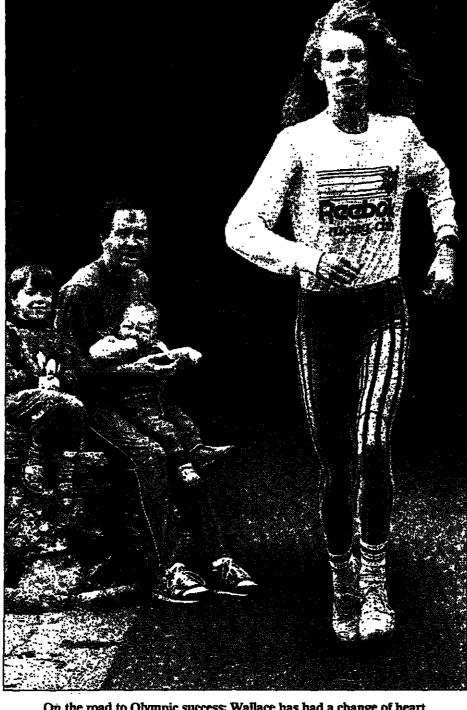
Repression and Catalan nous have turned Barcelona into one of the world's largest football clubs, turning over more than £30 million a year. It has a membership of over 110,000, including Pope John Paul II, and some five times that number are said to be wanting to join. There were, at the last count, over 500 supporters groups worldwide.

Barcelona is not just a football club; it has one of the country's best basketball teams, a handball team of international standing and many other squads, including ice hockey and even roller

Futbol Club Barcelona is also a "democratic dictatorship" of impressive proportions. The club president, Josep Nuñez, shocked Catalonia on the eve of the European Cup final by tearfully announcing he would not be

Appointing his successor does not, as it would in England, mean merely convening the board. Only Catalonia's president and the mayor of Barcelona require more votes to carry an election than the president of the football club. And no other city in Catalonia has a voting population greater than the membership of the club.

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On the road to Olympic success: Wallace has had a change of heart

# Wallace sets tough target

By David Powell, athletics correspondent

ANDREA Wallace, the mother of two who is not impressed by the thought of competing in the Olympics, is to give them a try. After winning the British 10,000 metres trial in Sheffield on Friday, Wallace was not sure that she wanted to go. Her coach and boy friend, John Hambly, has persuaded her that she should.

Wallace's decision to join Liz McColgan and Jill Hunter completes the strongest British trio in any event. Though Wallace has contested world cross-country and road race championships, and was a silver medal winner in the latter last year, this will be her first international track championship.

She declined selection for the 1990 European championships, did not try for the world championships last year, and spurned an Olympic marathon place. One concern relating to Barcelona was the length of time she might be away from home. but Joan Allison, the British

I have got a lot of hard work team manager, has assured her that she can arrive two to do. days before her event.

Allison said yesterday that all prospective team members had been written to and given the option to arrive in Barcelona just before their competition. "We are giving them flexibility, but have suggested the dates we think they should travel out," Allison said.

Wallace's 32min 21.61sec in Sheffield, a personal best, is still 84 seconds slower than McColgan's quickest "She was not excited about her performance," Hambly said. She feels she has to be in shape to run 31:30, otherwise she is wasting her time at the Olympics." The job of convincing her has been done. "I think I can knock a minute off what I did in Sheffield,"

Wallace, aged 25, said. Her reaction to the Olympic dream was unusual, to say the least. Excited? "No, not really, I don't know why," she said. "I think I will get more excited when the Olympics get nearer, but at the moment

There are six weeks before the Olympics begin and the International Amateur Athletic Federation's (IAAF) technical department will not have time to rewrite its rule limiting to 11 the number of spikes on each shoe. But clarification is needed. Colin Jackson and Kriss Akabusi have been using an Adidas shoe with what the company describes as "22 protrusions but

not spikes". Mike Gee, the IAAF technical officer, said yesterday that his recommendation to the chairman of the technical committee would be for a meeting with all leading manufacturers. "There is still uncertainty on the interpretation of the rule and the last thing we want is a big scene at a major event," Gee said.

"It may be an advantage to athletes, but if certain configurations ruin a track we would not want them chivvying them up for one-hundredth of a second."

## Swedish police to crack down

FROM JOHN GOODBODY

THE Maimo police will stop any of the 200 convicted English troublemakers from entering Sweden for the European football championship. Per Swartz, the assistant chief constable for public order, said yesterday that the police had received names and de-tails of hooligans from police in London, "Under our legislation, we do have the power to stop people who are likely to cause trou-

ble," he said.

However, the supporters who are expected here for the match against Denmark tomorrow will have a more friendly reception than they received from the Italians at the 1990 World
Cup. This Baltic port will
today begin festivities to
entertain supporters. Three
marquees selling only cheap beer on the day of the match, have been erected. Discos and food counters

have also been installed.

Mrs Gunn Hanell, who hairs the Malmo sport and ecreation committee, said: "We are going to have a big party and a jumbo time." Olle Moller, an official of

the local organising com-mittee, added: "We believe this event will create a good tmosphere. When there is a good atmosphere, you do not have violence. It is when supporters have nothing to do that prob-lems arise."

It is a new approach, the effectiveness of which will be scrutinised by English observers who are optimistic but not complacent that the incidents of the 1988 championship — when 800 people, including 394 Britons, were arrested - will

not be repeated.

This liberal policy is endorsed by the local police, which has 1,159 officers on standby. Their principal concern is the transport of about 4.000 England followers who are staying in Copenhagen, plus the same number of Danish supporters across the 11-mile wide

After the game, the pres-sure on the ferries will be immense and details are still being finalised because Denmark was a late re-placement for Yugoslavia. However, it is planned for the Danes to travel by train across the two-mile wide channel to Helsingor in Denmark, the setting for Shakespeare's play, Hamlet. The English will go direct by ferry and hydrofoil from Malmo to

Copenhagen.

Only about 2,500 England supporters have bought tickets for their team's opening European championship game against Denmark, the FA said yesterday.

**OLYMPIC GAMES** 

# Manchester's bid committee aims to attract the best

BY IAN ROSS

MANY of the world's most celebrated architects are expected to submit designs for the proposed Manchester Olympic stadium complex following the announcement of an international marketing competition yesterday. The competition, launched jointly by Manchester City

Council and the Manchester Olympic bid committee, will ensure that Manchester will be able to start building on a 121-acre site to the east of the city centre within days of the International Olympic Committee's decision in September of next year on the host city for the Games in the year 2000. The facilities will include a 60,000 seat stadium, an indoor training centre and a commercial and leisure

complex. "We are issuing a challenge to the world's best designers and builders to create the world's best sports facilities in the context of what will become one of Europe's major leisure and commercial centrepieces," Bob Scott, chairman of Manchester 2000, said.

"It will be the focus of the world during the 2000 Games and will transform both the international standing of Manchester and the lives of millions of people who live in and around the city. "In a few short months,

Manchester has moved from delivering proposals to the government to being in a position where we are building and creating the great core facilities to stage the Olympic Games."

The competition will place emphasis on architectural excellence, and a design panel is to be appointed under the chairmanship of David Plowright, the former chairman of Granada Television and a member of the Olympic

bid committee.
"Manchester has a determination to be a leading European city of the 21st century." Plowright said. Mr "It has a tremendous heritage of fine buildings and a commitment to an Olympic centre that will carry forward Britain's reputation to attract the best designers in the world to produce buildings of flair and

John Redwood MP, the minister responsible for inner cities, said: "Rarely has there been such an opportunity for the private sector to use its flair to transform an area of dereliction into a world

showpiece."
The government has agreed to contribute a £55 million package towards the regeneration programme in-cluding help with the cost of purchasing and preparing the Olympic stadium site.

**POLO** 

# Azzurra hold off Art Scene surge

By JOHN WATSON

THE tournament for the medium-goal Royal Windsor Cup, for which 20 teams are deployed in six leagues, opened yesterday at Smith's Lawn, Windsor, with a league six encounter between Art Scene (received 4) and Azzurra, who won 8-62.

This game, played on sluggish turf, progressed in a somewhat follow-my-leader fashion. Azzurra's central combination, Juan Jose Diaz Alberdi and William Lucas, their side into first chukka lead.

Art Scene's five-handicap pivot man, Rodolfo Ducos, opened their account with two fine galloping goals in the third chukka but by half-time the scoreboard showed Azzurra up 5-3 2.

However, in the fourth, the match brightened up and Art Scene went ahead for the first time. The last chukka opened at 7-6 in Azzurra's favour and ended with them in a 1 2goal advantage.

In the Archie David Cup at Smith's Lawn, Windsor, Black Bears beat the specialists (received 2) 8-7, and Travis Dale (received 12) beat Junko Koshino, 512-1. Hill Samuel beat Magna Carta (received 12), 7-62 and Ellerston beat Glengarriff 9-

Archie David Cup THE SPECIALISTS: 1, M Emerson (0): 2, D Dawnay (1): 3, S Estrada (3): back, C Walton Masters (1): BLACK BEARS: 1, U Schwarzenbach (1): 2, M Mêre (3): 3, S Barnerd (2): back, O Hughes (2). TRAMS DALE: 1, Ne P. Increm (10: 2, C. Hugnes (2), 3, C Florito (5); back, J FRANS DALE: 1, Mrs P Ingram (ID; 2, C Marthews (2); 3, C Florito (5); back, J Ingram (1), 3, A Buchanan (4); back, G Barter (1), MAGNA CARTA: 1, R Leeuss (-1); 2, M Webb (2); 3, J Horswell (6); back, J Kavenagh (ID), HILL SAMUEL: 1, L Tomlinson (ID; 2, R Theme (4); 3, R Matthews (5); back, J Lancaster (I), ELERSTON: 1, M Fleming (ID); 2, B Webb (1); 3, I Gould (5); back, J Gaunt (2), GLENGARRIFF: 1, D Fernandez (1); 2, T Roach (2); 3, P Mickidowie (5); back, J Berry (I).

**ROWING** 

#### Downing chasing third win

DOWNING go for their third successive win in this
year's Cambridge May races,
which start today while Lady
Margaret will be hoping to hold on to the women's to give them the Lents-Mays double for the first time (a Correspondent writes). Starting order

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**BOWLS** 

# Argentina record shock victory over England

COUNTRIES such as Argenting, which has only five clubs and 150 bowlers, should not be able to hold its own with the likes of England, which has 1,756 clubs and more than 50,000 players (David Rhys Jones writes).

But surprises have abounded in the women's world championships at Ayr, and the Argentinians were behind another in the triples yesterday. Cuella Abelle. Graciela Bozzano de Ed-wards and Susana Ruiz de Martinez, who had lost their first seven matches, held England for the first nine ends, then cut loose to record a

deserved 21-14 victory. Barbara Till, Edna Bessell and Norma Shaw still hope to qualify for the gold medal play-off, but New Zealand or

South Africa appear more

New Zealand, who have lost only once, narrowly avented a second defeat when they scored three on the last end to beat Namibia 20-18, while South Africa's hopes were dented by Hong Kong, who won 27-14 after dropping

likely to head the section B

seven shots on the 18th end. Val Howell, Mary Davies and Rita Jones, of Wales, are being closely challenged in section A by Scotland's Joyce Lindores, Janice Maxwell and Frances Whyte. In the pairs, the prospect of

an all-Channel Islands final ended when Guernsey lost both section A matches, but Mavis Le Marquand and Sheila Syvret, of Jersey, still head section B.

RIFLE SHOOTING

#### Allan aims for double

BRITAIN'S Olympic team, announced yesterday, is the smallest yet, with only six men and one woman, one fewer than the group that went to Seoul and far from the 18 who shot in Los Angeles in 1984 (Our Rifle Shoot-

ing Correspondent writes). With Malcolm Cooper having retired, it is up to the Scot. Alister Allan, to keep up the impetus for a third successive British gold in the smalbore three-positions rifle. Although Cooper beat him narrowly in the Olympic final at Seoul, Allan broke the Olympic record with 1.181 points.

Allan will compete in the

three-positions event and the

prone rifle, which is his strongest discipline. He has the background for the task, having shot internationally for more than 20 years, includ-ing four Olympic Games.

Adrian Breton, who won a gold medal at the Commonwealth Games in Auckland, has the rapid fire pistol spot and David Chapmen will be shooting the running target air rifle.

The only woman in the team, Pinky le Grelle, will compete in the skeet.

TEAM: Smallbore ritle: Three-positions and prone: A Alan 10 matres running target: D Chapman. Rapid fire pistot: A Breton. 10 metres air rifle: N Walloce. Olympic trap: K Gill Men's skeet: A Austin. Women's skeet: P le Grelle.

## BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Montreal Expos 5, New York Meta 0; Philadelphie Philles 7, Pittsburgh Preless 0; Cincinnati Reds 4, Sen Francisco Giants 1; San Diego Padres 3, Houston Astros 2; Atlanta Braves 4, Los Angeles Dodgers 2; Chicago Cubs 5, St Louis Cardinals 2 (13 kms), and 6-4.

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29-11; Swaziland bt New Zealand, 18-14;
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Seventh round: Zimbabwe 17, Argentina 14; Carsada 16, New Zeatand 14: England 16. Guerneey 14, South Africa 25, Singapore 9; Namibia 33, India 6: Hong Kong 17, Papua New Gumes 17.

Eight round: Section A: Pairs: Kerrys bi Argentina, 17-14; South Africa bi Seeminary (J. Nicolie and A. Sanon), 18-12; Sweziland bi America, 24-19; Carsada bi Australia, 22-18; Hong Kong bit related (P. Noten and M. Johnston) 17-14, New Zealand bi Zimbabwe 17-10), Section 8: England (J. Baker and M. Price) bit Papua New Guinee, 25-8; Jersey (M. Le. Marquand and S. Syvrai), 16-15; Norfolk Island bi Botswana, 19-14; Waites (J. Ackbard and B. Morgan) bit Spean, 14-11; Israel bit Namibia, 19-15; Zambie bit Singaporie, 21-9. Triplea: Section A: Scottand (J. Lindoree, J. Marwell and F. Whyte bit United States, 33-10; Waites (V. Howell, M. Davies and R. Jones) bit Spean bit Songapore, J. Mulinoland and M. Malion), 20-15; Kenya bit Sweziland, 22-9, Spean bit Boltswana, 25-16; Section B: Hong Kong bit South Africa, 27-14; Zimbabwe bit India, 26-9, New Zealand bit Marmbas, 20-18; śrasił bit Singapore, 20-13; Guerneey (B. Le Cras, C. Le Poklevin, S. Paul) bit Carsada, 19-16. Papua New Gumea bit Argentina, 22-10.

#### CYCLING

FOR THE RECORD

SCOTTISH PROVIDENT LEAGUE, Newcastle-upon-Tyne: Firth round (22 miles): 1, C Lillywitte (Barana-MET), 43:15; 2, B Luckwell (PCA); 3, S Sotton (Barstan-MET); 4, J Clay (Benana-MET); 5, G Coltmen (Releigh); 6, B Burns (PCA), all same time. Overall: 1, Lillywhite, 120pts; 2, Coltmen, 119; 3, Luckwell, 69; 4, B Sratin (Barsana-MET), 82; 5, N Hoben (PCA), 80; 6, Sotton, 76.
GIRO D'ITALIA: 17th stage (203km - Sondrin to Vercell); 1, M Cipolini (II), 5th 15min 35esc; 2, A Baffi (II); 3, G Fidenza (II); 4, S Martinelle (II), same; 5, G Strazzer (II); 5, J Svorada (C2), all seams time. Overall: 1, M Indurein (Sp), 90m 58mn 24esc; 2, C Chieppucci (II), 2:14 behind; 3, R Conti (II), 3:07; 4, F Vona (II), 3:10; 5, A Hampsten (US), 3.26, 8, F Chicocoloi (II), 3:27. British: 39, H Lodge, 1 fr 0 firm 46esc behind; 86, S Yates (GB), 1:58:03; 111, M Elliott, 227:34. SCOTTISH PROVIDENT LEAGUE,

FOOTBALL

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BRAZILIAN CHAMPIONSHIP: Semi-finals; Group A: Vasco da Gama 3, Santos 3: Flemengo v São Paulo — postponed. Group B: Botalogo 2, Cruzel-ro 1: Bragantino 2. Corinitisms 1.

CAF CUP: Second round, second leg: Kisumu Postai (Ken) 0, Nekivuto Vala (Uga) 1 (seg: 0-2): Shooting Stars (higera) 3, USCB (Burlura Fasol 0 legg. 4-1): Etole (Congo) 0. SC Gagnos (Very Cosst) 1 (agg: 0-3): Demont Yacunde (Cam) 1, Mbongo Sports (Zaire) 1 (agg: 1-1): Mbongo quality on away goals rule): ASMO Gabon 3, Dragons Oueme (Benin) 0 (agg. 3-0). AC Buzete (Tun) 4, Ndiambour (Senegal) 1 (agg: 4-2): Sagnada Esperanca (Ang) 3, Ferrovario Maputo (Mcz) 2 (agg. 5-5, Ferrovario win 5-4 on penalties); Al-Warde (Jubya) 3, ASM Oran (Alg) 1 (agg. 3-4)

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HUNGARIAN LEAGUE: Ferencyaros 2. Pecs MSC 0: BVSC 0. Raba Gyor 0, Vac 3, MTK 0, Haladas 2. Videoton-Waltham 4; Vasas 1, Ujpes 1; Solok 4, Veszprem 0; Zalasgerszeg 0, Kispesi-Honwed 3; Diosgyor 0, Tatabanya 2. Leading positions (28 matches): 1, Ferencyaros, 42pts.



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John Pendry: leading European hang gliding 2. Vac-Samsung, 41; 3, Kispest Honved.

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RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Chaster-Is-Street Durham v Lancashure. Abergavenney: Gizmorgan v Middlesex Sittingbourne:

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POLISH LEAGUE: Stack Wroclaw 1. Wista Krakow 0; Ruch Chorzow 1, Gornik Zabrze 0; Zawk; za Bydgoszcz 4, Igloopof Debica 2; Zaglebie Sosnowac 0. Stal Mislec D. Olimpia Poznan 0, Motor Liblin 0: Hutrik Krakow 2, I/S Lodz 1; Widzew Lodz 1, Zaglebie Lubin 0: Stal Stalowa Wola 1, Lech Poznan 2; Legin Warszawa 0, GKS Katowice 2. Leading positions (after 32 matches); 1, Lech Poznan, 46; 2, Gornik Zabrze, 41; 3, Widzew Lodz, 40.
ROMANIAN LEAGUE: Gloria Bishita 2, Becau 0; Farul Constanta 3, Brasov 1. Sportul Studentes 0, Doat Unirea Bralla 1; Inter Stibis 3, Rapid Bucharzes 1; Inter Stibis 3, Rapid Bucharzes 1;

## TODAY'S FIXTURES

Kent v Gloucestershire Old Northamptonians: Northamptonshire v Lescesterahre. Glastonbury: Somerset v Derbyshire. Banatead: Surrey v Sussex Numeton: Warwickshire v Essex. Barnt Green: Worcestershire Green: Worcestershire v Nottinghamshre. MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: Wisboch: Cambridgeshre v Suffolk Tor-quey: Devon v Cheshire. Christchurch: Minor Countee XI v Bermuda.

OTHER SPORT BOWLS: Women's world championships

(Ayr)
QOLF: British women's amateur champ-tenship (Saunton)
MOTOR CYCLING: Isle of Man TT races. ACTION CYCLING: Isle of Man 11 races, SPEEDWAY: Homelive League, First division Poole v Ovford (7.45) First division Gold Cup Cradley Heath Bradtord (7.45) Homelive League, Sec-end division Long Eaton v Exerter (7.30). TENNIS: Siela Artois championships (Queen's Club). Dow Classic (Ecobastico)

SPANISH LEAGUE: Real Sociedad 1, Españo 1: Real Zaragoza 1, Real Maßorca 2, Real Oviedo 3, Real Burgos 1; Attélico Madrid 4, Albacete 1; Osasuma 0, Deportivo Courfa 1; Valencia 1, Lográfies 1; Tenerile 3, Real Madrid 2; Cáriz 1, Sporting Gijón 1; Real Valladolid 1, Seville 0; Bercelona 2, Athletic Bibbs 0. Final positions (38 matches); 1, Barcelona, 55; 2, Real Madrid, 54; 3, Athletico Madrid, 53.

HANG GLIDING NORWAY: European championships: individual positions (after Task 8): 1, J Pendry (GB), 7411; 2, M Ruhmer (Austrie), 7212; 3, T Suchanek (Cz), 8903, 4, A Chauvet (Fr), 6751; 5, J Krotseng (Nor), 6700. Other British: 12, R Hamilton, 5291; 15, D Arkwright, 6016; 22, M Stephens, 5529; 32, S Elluna, 4502; 37, J Needham, 4130. Team: 1, Great Britain, 20,848; 2, Norway, 19,532; 3, Switzerland 19,828; 4, Austria 18,760; 5, France 19,710.

HOCKEY GIBRALTAR: European Cup B club championeshipa: Final: Kelburne (Sco) T. Grammanane (Gib) 1 (Kelburne won 3-2 on penalties). Third place play-off:

TAMWORTH, Australia: Tour match: New South Wales Country XV 10, Scotland 26. SPEEDWAY

**RUGBY UNION** 

HEAT FOUR-TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP-First leg: Everer 42, Rye House 21; Milton Keynes 17, Mildenhañ 18. HOMEFIRE LEAGUE: First division: Wolves 41, Coventry 49.

FLORENCE: ATP men's tournament: First round: L Matter (Er) bi C Mezzadri (Switz), 6-4, 7-6; M Koevermans (Neth) bi J F Altun (Sp.), 6-4, 6-3. J F Altun (Sp), 6-4, 6-3.

ROSMALEN, Netherlands: Continental grass-court championships: First round: F Witner (Fr) bt P Baur (Ger), 7-5, 6-4; G Bloom (Sp) bt A Chesnokov (CS), 6-4, 7-8, A Reneberg (US) bt M Laurendeau (Can), 7-6, 6-4; R Reneberg (US) bt M Laurendeau (Can), 7-8, 6-4; J Seemerink (Neith) bt B Shelton (US), 7-5, 6-1; M Zosoko (Ger) bt J Etingh (Neith), 3-6, 7-8, H-Holm (Den) bt H-J Davids (Neith), 6-3, 6-4; S Youl (Asc) bt M Chdrusias (SA), 6-3, 6-2, J McEnroe (US) bt P Lundgran (Swe), 8-2, 6-3; C Saccensu (Ger) bt T Nijesen (Neith), 6-3, 6-2; K Kinnear (US) bt C Suk (C2), 6-3, 6-2; K Kinnear (US) bt C Suk (C2), 6-3, 6-2; K Kinnear (US) bt D van Scheppingen (Neith), 6-4, 6-7, 6-4.

BINGLE-HANDED TRANSATLANTIC PACE: Leading postions: Class 1: Multihulis: 1, Haute Normandia (P Vatine, Fr), 2,347 miles, 2, Primagaz (L Bourgnon, Fr), 2,378; 4, Fulcolor (L Peyron, Fr), 2,385. Monohulis: 1, Cacoles of Acutiene (Y Parise, Fr), 2,487; 2, Groupe LG (B de Broc, Fr), 2,482; 3, Enil Morgan Gaeriell (R Tolkien, GB), 2,484; 4, Misco (G Soldin; In, 2,499, Other British: 5, Dogwalch (N Burgess), 2,494, 7, Cardiff Discovery (A Wymne-Thomas), 2,504; 9, Queen Anna's Battery (M Gatenouse), 2,569.

#### N BRIEF Cyclists may

appeal
Britain's hopes of gaining two additional places for their Olympic track cycling team may be the subject of an appeal to the British Olympic Association, which has set down firm qualifying standards for Barcelona next

monuh. Dave le Grys, the British track coach, is pressing for the inclusion of Stewart Brydon and Anthony Stirrat. both of whom were unplaced in the last major pre-Olympic meeting at Hyeres. France.

Pirates plunder

Rugby league: Scarborough Pirates, who are trying to raise £50,000 to retain their place in the third division. have sold Gary Pearce, a stand-off half, to Ryedale-York for £7,000.

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ATHLETICS 29

# France need Papin to convert the creativity



FROM DAVID MILLER

THE opening match of the European championship, between Sweden, the hosts, and France, should tell us many things. Whether Sweden's young, changed team can raise echoes of the 1958 World Cup, when it stormed to the final. Whether France's unbeaten qualifying performance was no more than a mirage. Whether the European event will once more be closer than the World Cup to the kind of football that spectators really want.

There are three nations in this competition whose teams consistently believe, thankfully, that the game is more

than stopping others doing so: Holland, the holders though they can be ruggedly defensive if they wish - and France and Denmark Ex-cluding the best of the Africans, whose cynicism up to now is confined to kicking people rather than tactics, the only other team in which a joie de vivre survives is. of course, Brazil.

tomorrow against England whether Denmark - appointed to the finals by the United Nations more than by Uefa, a worrying precedent - are seriously past their peak or whether, ironically, they could be substitute champions. We will find out tonight if Jean-Pierre Papin truly has the same goal-

We will find out in Malmö

scoring genius for the big occasion as did Gerd Muller. as does Gary Lineker.

Papin has Muller's low centre of gravity, enabling him to turn like a rabbit and strike the ball hard with little backlift. It is likely that France's chance of repeating their victory of 1984 depends on Papin more than anyone. Yet it will depend, too, on how much belief the French have in their creative instinct: the instinct that Michel Hidalgo nurtured in the early Eighties and which Platini helped fulfil, first as a player, now as

France have been one of the Aladdins of Europe, ever since the days of Kopa and Rheims, and the brilliant side of 1958 with Juste Fontaine;



Yugoslavia's, has wiked on

the day Platini said yesterday: There is a need for discipline." He has named a 5-2-3 formation, the Tahitian, Vahirua. from Auxerre, being preferred to Perez alongside Papin and Cantona. "I'm in favour of attacking football. so we have three forwards," Platini said. "and I preferred Vahirua's speed to the technical skills of Perez." Can the Marseilles elements in defence and midfield now give the three up front enough of I am, reluctantly, prepared

for disappointment. Al-though Sweden have lost Hysen and Stromburg from Olle Nordin's team that slumped in the 1990 World Cup finals, the young side managed by Tommy Svensson has perceptive hard workers of experience, such as Them, from Benfica. in midfield and Brolin up front. Brolin has scored nine goals in 16 internationals and helped to take Parma to the Italian cup final. I can see the Swedes stilling France's style in the same way moderate England did in the match at Wembley in February.

A crowd of 28,000 is ex-

cism in support that they did 34 years ago, helping to carry their men to a memorable final against Brazil. It is strange, to anyone who

pected tonight and it remains to be seen whether the Swedes

will produce the same fanati-

watched Jan Molby dominate the last hour of the FA Cup final for Liverpool at Wembley, to find him excluded from the Danish squad. If they can do better without him they must still be good indeed. Certainly they are no mugs as replacements for Yugoslavia, for in their qualifying group they won in Belgrade, having lost to the Yugoslavs at home and drawn one other match.

Their fallability in defence is such that they may give

Graham Taylor finds there is a consolation as the Wright saga rumbles on

# England look to Walker for security

FROM STUART JONES POOTBALL CORRESPONDENT IN MALMÖ, SWEDEN

ONLY on the eve of England's entry into the European championship has Graham Taylor been able to end his unnecessary public preoccupation with Mark Wright. Although the sorry saga will doubtless resume after the Liverpool captain's fitness test at the weekend, his attention has, at last, turned to the remnants of his squad.

One member of it in particular has become even more important. If Wright has earned the right to be likened to a sandcastle, perhaps mentally as well as physically, then Des Walker has been a towering rock at the back ever since he was first introduced

Taylor yesterday described the Nottingham Forest centre back as "priceless". The most consistent selection in inconsistent line-ups, Walker's presence amid a defence which has steadily been falling apart (Rob Jones, Lee Dixon, Gary Stevens, Paul Parker, Gary Pallister and Gary Mabbutt are all casualties as well as Wright) is especially comforting.

"We don't need to lose players to appreciate his value." class defender with exceptional pace. He has improved immeasurably over the last three years and is still doing so. I am sure his move to Sampdoria will be a success. for him and the club.

A measure of Walker's sustained excellence can be gleaned from England's sequence of results since he made his debut as a substitute, poignantly against Denmark, the opposition here tomorrow. In 44 appearances, he has experienced defeat on only three occasions and one of those was on penalties in the World Cup semi-final against Germany in Turin.

He has been absent for only two of Taylor's 21 fixtures, once because of his involvement in last year's FA Cup Final. The only time he has been injured, for the game against Germany in September, coincided with the lone blemish on the manager's record so far.

Walker has habitually allowed his flawless perfor-mances to speak for themselves but yesterday he was willing to answer questions.

**FIXTURES** 

Tomorrow

pion. and Henri Leconte,

who reached the semi-finals

of the French Open, head the

list of wild cards for Wimble-

don handed out yesterday by

the All England committee.

The pair, firm favourites

with Wimbledon crowds, are

the only overseas players to

be given places in the draw,

with the other 14 going to

Cash, who won the tourna-

ment in 1987, feared that his

decision to play tennis part-

time would be frowned on by

the Wimbledon hierarchy,

but his performances in

reaching the semi-linals at

British men and women.

Having a party: England players celebrate David Platt's 26th birthday at the team's headquarters. Back row, from left: Steven,

Clough, Smith, Pearce, Martyn. Front row: Platt, Roger Narbett, the team chef, and John Crane, the team doctor

He explained that in the last four months he has been learning to add a new attacking dimension to his game

Brian Clough, whom he recognises as the biggest influence on his career, taught him to keep the game simple at Forest. "He said that if he wanted me to go forward, he would put a number eleven on my back." Taylor's instructions are more

Starting with the game against France in February, Walker has been urged to leave his duties occasionally and use his speed to launch an attack. If he had done so at Forest, he admits that he would instinctively have been wondering about the possible consequences should the move break down.

Nevertheless, he finds going forward "an enjoyable experience," even though the sense of freedom will not distract him from his prime responsibility. "I don't mind which job I do as long as I'm defending," he declares. Whether you play with two, still try to take the ball off the forward running at you."

Wild card secured by Cash

Beckenham last week and

winning his first-round

match at the Stella Artois

tournament at Queen's could

Jeremy Bates is the only

British player ranked high

enough, at No. 106, to gain

automatic entry to the main

draw. Chris Wilkinson, of

Southampton, who is ranked

No. 152, gets the first of the

Petchey and Chris Bailey are

given others, as expected, but

Andrew Foster and Andrew

Richardson, the teenage pros-

pects, jump ahead of the Brit-

Andrew Castle, Mark

domestic wild cards.

not be ignored.

# Roxburgh ignores the jibes

FROM RODDY FORSYTH IN GOTHENBURG

SCOTLAND'S European championship squad touched down here yesterday afternoon, the last of the finalists to arrive. In the opinion of most observers it will also be the first to leave but Andy Roxburgh, the coach, was not to be drawn into making any rash statements to contradict the detractors.

'We don't go around demeaning other sides and if other people want to do it to us, that suits us fine. Our concern now is to approach our opening fixture in the proper state of mind and that means that we must know that everyone who lines up against the Dutch on Friday

is 100 per cent fit. Tomorrow's training will be vital to all those who have had problems but I am optimistic about their prospects. except for Duncan Ferguson. who suffered a nasty tooth abscess and who is worn out through lack of sleep, although he has had the tooth

Shirli-Ann Siddall, aged

17, from Bournemouth, is

WILD CARDS: Mice: (GB unless stated): C Selley, P Cash (Aus), A Castle, A Foster, H Leconts (Fr), M Petchey, A Richardson, C Williamson, Women: S Bendey, A Grunted, C. Ltd. V. Microsham Desiries, A Grunted,

☐ Jo Durie will lead the

British team in the Federa-

tion Cup challenge in Frank-

furt from July 12 to 19. She

will be joined by Monique

Javer, Sara Gomer, if she

recovers from injury, and

Clare Wood.

one of eight British women

awarded wild cards.

removed. The jaw is calming down but he has lost strength and I think he could be a

problem for Friday." It would reinforce Roxburgh's belief that his players can surprise The Netherlands if he should be able to call upon Malpas and Nevin, both of whom appeared to be doubtful travellers last

Maipas sustained damage to a recurrent Achilles tendon problem in the 0-0 draw with Norway in Oslo but has said that he is happy with his

Likewise, Nevin insists that he has overcome the untimely ankle injury received in the 1-0 win over the United States in Denver, the game in which he scored his first goal for Scotland. So anxious was the player to keep his place in the quad that he consulted a private specialist last week. The consultant promised

him that the injury could be

repaired easily and would be

completely healed in, say, five or six weeks. Nevin was then offered a short cut by means of an injection treatment that would not have been suitable for a professional footballer and which he refused, but just as he was bracing himself to pull out of the squad the ankle.

abruptly improved. Roxburgh, however, will not gamble and today's workout will be scrutinised in order to avoid any possibility of Scotland being visited by the kind of nasty surprise sprung on the England manager, Graham Taylor, by late news of the injury to Mark

Psychologically, the squad seems in excellent shape, as personified by the pragma-tism of Ally McCoist when the ebullient Rangers forward was asked to rate the team's chances of success in Sweden.

Columbus, Ohio: Greg Nor-

man has missed out on the

US Open golf tournament at

Pebble Beach next week after

failing to qualify here. "I'm

disappointed, but at least l

tried," the former British

Open champion said after

seeing Peter Jacobsen, Brian

Claar, Kirk Triplett and Larry

He refused to complain

about having to qualify,

'That's the conditions to get

in their tournament. You've

got to do what they say you

Norman, though, is on the

reserve list to fill in for any

have to." he said.

player who withdraws.

Mize book their passage.

"I think that people in Scotland are realistic enough to know that we are not going to win it but what they would

like us to do is go out and have a real go", McCoist said.

He added a self-deprecatory rider when he said: "I can see Ronald Koeman shaking in his shoes right now. Still, you never know, we may have our moments and my hope is that one or two

The Scottish supporters would be gratified if they thought that McCoist might be the focus of an aggressive Scottish strategy against the Dutch and there have been signs that Roxburgh may intend a more adventurous

He has made several oblique references to Scotland's 1-1 draw against Bulgaria in Sofia last year, a game which was notable for the fact that Scotland unexepectedly carried the contest to their fancied opponents and went ahead within ten minutes; McCoist was the

He was not the only lead-

ing player to miss the event.

Johnny Miller, the 1973 win-

ner, and a former Masters

champion. Ben Crenshaw.

had shot 145s and failed to

qualify for the second year in

"I didn't play well and I didn't putt well," Crenshaw.

considered one of the game's

best putters, said. "I just nev-

Michael Walton shot a

course-record seven-under-

par 65 at the Golf Club of

Georgia course, and was five

shots in front when rain sus-

pended play midway through

qualifying. (Agencies)

er got things going.

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The sponsorship is the sec-Norman misses US Open

disabilities. Construction of the yacht, designed by Rob Hum-

phreys, has already started in Cowes. The yacht will be launched at the end of November ready for a shakedown transatlantic crossing

yachtsman of the year in 1987 and awarded an MBE the following year for his services to sailing and charity. will be the skipper. "Our training programme begins later this month aboard a charter yacht," he said yesterday. "This will offer our initial England an easier opener than would have the Yugo slavs — or should one say the Serbs and Montenegrins, who were all that was left of the once united (Yugo) Slavs. This could prove to have been a lucky break for England, who in the matter of injuries have seen their luck in the qualifying tournament recently turned sour.

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# Fowler's future put in doubt by heavy fine

THE fallout from last summer's Wasim Akram affair continues to reverberate through Lancashire County Cricket Club. Graeme Fowler was last night considering his future after being fined "a substantial amount" by the club for "derogatory state-

Fowler, looking white and shaken, refused to comment when he left Old Trafford after a meeting lasting nearly three hours yesterday morning. In a statement, the club said he had been found guilty of a breach of contract, and as well as being fined he was "reprimanded" and warned about his future conduct.

Fowler, aged 35, has seven days in which to appeal. In view of the swingeing nature of the fine, reported to be considerably in excess of £1,000, he may also wonder whether, with his contract expiring in September, his future now lies elsewhere. If the fine is as large as believed, it suggests that Fowler may have had other offences taken into consideration, as the Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB) limit on fines is one rwenty ixun of a p

ry per offence. The club's disciplinary committee — consisting of four committee members, Rose Fitzgibbon, the cricket secretary. Alan Ormrod, the manager. Neil Fairbrother, the captain, and Paul Allott, the senior professional - also discussed the cases of Gehan Mendis and Wasim, who were both reprimanded and warned as to their future conduct.

The trio were all quoted as criticising Lancashire in a new book, Wasim and Wagar, Imran's Inheritors by John Crace. The trouble originated last

July when Wasim was fined £1,000 by Lancashire after being reported by umpire Nigel Piews for excessive short-pitched bowling and swearing. It was widely believed at the time that the severity of the punishment reflected the desire of the chairman, Bob Bennett, to impress Lord's with his disciplinary credentials in anticipation of his appointment as England tour manager last

The discrepancy in yesterday's treatment of the players appears hard to justify from the text of the book and it was suggested by sources close to the club that the complaint against Fowler centred on a passage taken from the book before it was published.

The fine imposed on Wasim soured the atmosphere at Old Trafford last season. Since then it has been widely suggested that Wasim would not be returning next season to fulfil the last year of his six-year contract and the club's decision to let him off with a reprimand on this occasion may be an attemptto heal the breach.

If Fowler's career at Lancashire is nearing an end, he and many of the county's membership will be upset in crington, he is Lancastrian through and through and is averaging over 50 this season. He played 21 Tests for England.



Fowler: shaken

# Disabled sailors are given £1 m funding

By Barry Pickthall

JAMES Hatfield, the solo circumnavigator who underwent open-heart surgery 17 million by the Foundation for Sports and the Arts yesterday to fund a 60-foot British entry in next year's Whitbread Round the World Race.

ond-largest sum ever paid out by the Foundation, which is funded by the pools companies. The money goes towards building a yacht and training a crew who, like Hatfield, have overcome their

to Florida at the end of the

Hatfield, who was named

squad the opportunity to or velop their sailing skills. teamwork and trust, as well as give additional people attracted to our Dolphin Cit cumnavigation project the opportunity to become "The present members of

squad the opportunity to de-

the squad consist of men and women who have a disability that they have conquered. They have, as individuals, fought not only the inner battle, but also the social battle of acceptance. They must have courage, stamina and a sense of humour, in addition to sailing skills."

Their programme of train ing this year includes several races, including the 2,000-mile Harriepool Renaissance round-Britain event in

"Our final crew selection will be made after the Fastnet race in August 1993." Hatfield said. "My goal is to present the crew on the Whitbread start line, equipped physically and mentally for the race and to win against the world's finest.

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# Masonry shows its cracks

The Freemasons are holding an open day at Earls Court. Why has this secretive and mysterious organisation resolved to bare

its soul? Walter Ellis investigates

t seems like a contradiction in terms. A Freemasons' Open Day. The KGB and — posthumously — the East German Stasi pioneered the trend. Next, perhaps, it will be the Mafia. But today, at Earls Court, it is the turn of "the craft" to do its bit for glasnost, and the men with arthritic handshakes. who say "Boaz" to each other, will be out in force, seeking to persuade observers that being "on the square" is a fitting activity for even the politest of

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circles. Should we believe them? Are they, in fact, on the level? Is it not the truth that they are a prolix conspiracy of would-be warlocks and mystagogues, building up business contacts while claiming, primarily, to be engaged in good works? Alternatively, as they dress themselves up like Fred and Barney from The Flintstones all set for a night out with the boys at the Bedrock Buffaloes Club, is there

any way the rest of us can avoid a smile? If we imagine a typical town in rural Britain, we should imagine also that somewhere close to its heart - perhaps just around the corner from the church of the magistrates' court — is the local

Masonic Lodge. There are, after all, 8,488 such assemblies in this country, ministering to the needs of 320,000 Masons in England and Wales, 100,000 in Scotland and 55,000 in Ireland. Each seeks to be a powerful, if indirect, influence on its community. The lodge itself may well resemble a Methodist or Baptist chapel, with the emblematic addition of a set square and compasses above the door. Inside, there will be a chequerboard floor, echoing the square, and a temple, overlooked by an "all-seeing eye". in which the rituals are performed. Here it is that initiates are "led forth from darkness into light", attended by more esoteric imagery than you could shake a stick at and - at least until very recent times - threatened with death and mutilation should they reveal the "secrets" imparted by the Master...

The Freemasons in their modern form were formed in England in 1717. They hark back to philosophies and religions as disparate as the morbid beliefs of Ancient Egypt Pythagorean theory and the Knights Templar. There is great emphasis on allegory and symbolism, centring on the square, which derives from medieval building practice, which is supposed to control and shape our lives. They see themselves primarily as a charitable institution which explicitly prohibits abuse of Masonic membership for commercial gain. more recent times adherents of all religions are theoretically welcome.

What the average estate agent, salesman or solicitor makes of his various rites of passage, from the first to the third degree, can readily be imagined. Opponents are quick to characterise the breed: over-whelmingly conventional, with no obvious spiritual dimension or pronounced charitable impulse. All that would mark them out in the eyes of most of their fellow citizens is that they like belonging to things and hope to get on.

They are probably happiest and

most relaxed when attending functions", especially hotel dinners, where toasts are offered to the Great Architect but there is little else to tax their somewhat earnest spirituality. This is where they can discuss a bit of business and catch up on who is in line to develop the former launderette site in the High Street, Ladies' nights are also popular. For many Masons, it is

frankly embarrassing having to keep an embossed apron, collar and "jewels" (as badges are called) concealed in a drawer below the ties and socks, and it is nice now and again to be able to show the better halves that it is all perfectly normal real-

ly and nothing to worry about. Charity events have a similar "Look at this." they proclaim. "Nothing queer about any of it, you see. Not a bared breast or a rolled up trouser leg between us. We're trying to help the needy.

That's all. Nothing else."
Commander Michael Higham. the grand secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England, would certainly not demur from such a portrayal. Masonry is basically about clubability, he said recently. "Men like to be together, just like women like to be together. Nobody thinks the Women's Institute is

The truth, in fact, is that Masons are the very antithesis of the W.I. They are Rotarians with ritual; they are a mutual support organisation with a year-book that reads like Yellow Pages; they are hand-medown mystics whose arcane, Heath Robinson theology is an ornate key

to an empty room. Mostly, however, in the experience of anyone who has encountered them (which is almost everyone), they are people who appreciate having friends and allies in useful places and are prepared to dress up and pay for the privilege. It does not matter whether they are policemen, lawyers and judges or estate agents, car salesmen or council officers. What they have in common is that in nine cases out of ten they are traffickers in goods and



Brother Philip Kaye (centre) and Deputy Grand Master Edward Latham Baillieu

the Queen, might attend. But it was

not to be. The Duke of Edinburgh

has long since given up any

pretence of interest, while none of

his three sons has ever joined. In

the 1990s, as for the past 25 years,

organisation is and how devoted to

home for mentally handicapped children, to be built in Wiltshire

will resemble nothing more than

and amendments.

s Grand Master, he will

to provide a regal presence.

(within reason) as the necessary levy they must pay if they are to strike a few insider deals and still feel good about themselves. A few may even be seekers after truth, however absurd its guise. Almost all would rather have a couple of pints in the Masons' Arms than cross compasses with the Great Architect.

Needless to say, no such prosaic interpretation of the Masonic lifestyle will be permitted this week at Earls Court. Instead, what will be on view will be a specially staged rally, in front of 12,000 members and guests, to celebrate the 275th anniversary of the foundation of the United Grand Lodge of England, the oldest governing body in world Masonry and the one from which most others take their lead.

Mysticism and mumbo-iumbo will wisely be kept to a minimum. Allegory and symbol — otherwise integral to the craft — are to be confined largely to the internal arrangement of the hall and the regalia worn by participants.

Officials in charge of the proceedings will, inevitably, be prosperous sons of the middle classes, with a suitable leavening of aristocrats; lesser brethren, making up the bulk of the attendance, will by contrast There has traditionally been an services. Many will give readily to come mainly from the ranks of emphasis on Christianity, but in services. Many will give readily to come mainly from the ranks of those who like to don a blazer and

cravat before ordering a stiff gin at an assembly of dons, or a City of the nineteenth hole. For though no London guild. There will be no hint Mason is deemed superior to any that here is a body of men some of other, rank hypocrisy continues to whom are gripped by the pathological preoccupations of the Pharaohs thrive. Egalitarianism only goes so far in this particular brotherhood. and a possibly gnostic belief in post-Royalty has been associated with Christian revelation. Freemasonry almost from its modem beginnings, and it had been

According to John Hamill, the librarian and curator at Freemasons' Hall, the order's world hoped that Prince Philip, and even headquarters in Great Oueen Street. London, the duty of a Mason is "to believe in God, respect the law and give of his time and talents to charity". He goes on: Basically, what Freemasonry does is to make better citizens out of

it has been left to the Duke of Kent good people." It sounds too good to be true - and it is. Most Masons are much deliver Wednesday's more worldly, and more flawed, than that, and a few are downright main speech, no doubt stressing how normal the corrupt. Movements to dominate certain professions, like the law and charity. Previously, he will have dedicated the foundation stone of a the police, are well documented, as is the attitude, where possible, of contracts for the boys. Yet it would be equally false to suppose that devotees of the craft are, to a man, sinister and selfish. Morally, they are probably no better and no worse than most others outside their particular cabal, just better By the time the procession moves organised and, as it happens, constitutionally enjoined to charity. out to dinner, literally by degrees, it

with £1.25 million of Masons' money, and presided over a business meeting of the Grand Charity. with minutes read out and motions

#### They are Rotarians with ritual ... hand-me-down mystics whose arcane, Heath Robinson theology is an ornate key to an empty room'

Freemasonry, one can only speculate. The ritual which ostensibly lies at its core is very much a movable feast, capable of being altered when circumstances require. Thus, Jahbulon, the dread and, quite literally, unmentionable name for the Masonic supreme being, was altered to the equally unmentionable (certainly unpronounceable) JHVH following a damaging re-port by the Church of England in

Most ordinary members would have been entirely unaware of this as only members of the exclusive Holy Royal Arch. the organisation's "supreme degree", were ever let into the secret of Jahbulon in the first place. Rank and file craftsmen are taught secrets which at the higher level are denounced as

incomplete and bogus.

How much any of this matters is a moot point. After all, people are entitled to their beliefs, even if to outsiders they do not add up to a

row of beans. As for the conspiracy theory — well, if the Masons were not tied to each other by their apron strings, they would soon find some other focus for their networking Golf clubs, Rotary International, ford and Cambridge,

public schools, MCC. St James's and Pall Mall, the Manchester Unity of Oddfellows: the list is endless, and all confer advantage on their members. If this is corrup-tion, then every locker room, every public house and every Tupperware party in Britain is a nest of vipers.

Mr Hamill insists that the level of mutual backscratching is very slight. "If a Freemason has to choose whom to give a contract to, then, all other things being equal, he might choose another Mason. But that is all - and if he did it would be on the basis that it would be someone he would know he could trust. If we find out that somebody has abused his position for personal gain, the person responsible will be subject to sanction. He could be suspended for six months or even thrown out altogether. We regard it as an especially nasty offence."

Martin Short, the author of Inside the Brotherhood, takes a very different view. A friend of the late Stephen Knight, whose own exposé of the Masons. The Brotherhood, caused a sensation when it was published in 1984, he believes that abuse of the rules of membership within the order is epidemic. He points to the existence of policeonly lodges, lodges within the defence industry linking procure-

ment officials and contractors, and lodges in which local-government officers, councillors and business-men "work consistently in each others' interests". He mentions property scandals, bullying and even the fixing of wills and divorce settlements to favour Masonic interests. The clearing banks and the City are riddled with Freemasonry,

But even Mr Short concedes that many people who have lost out on business deals because of their own bad luck or ineptitude have a tendency to blame it on the fact that they are not "on the square". He also believes that, to an extent, the orthodox Establishment has begun to turn hostile. The Church, for example, has more or less abandoned Freemasonry (there are no members in the current House of Bishops), and so has Parliament The tide, it seems, may be turning.

Does this explain the open day? Not at all, Mr Hamili says. "Our

aim today is to get ourselves back to the position we once occupied of being seen as a part of British society that is trying to do some good. Until the 1930s, we were very public. The local press reported on lodge meetings.

weekly Masonic newspapers that explained what we were seeking to achieve. But then, for some reason which we've never been able to understand, we turned in on ourselves and became intensely private. But in 1984 (after the publication of Knight's book), the Duke of Kent decided it was time for a change, and the open day is a part of that process."

For women, it must be said, such change as there is has yet to blow in their direction. The Masonic Trust for Girls and Boys, which funds the education of some 1,500 children of dead or impoverished Masons, is wholly non-discriminatory, but at adult level the life of the lodge remains exclusively male.

The only reason for this seems to be tradition and a feeling that ritual and spiritual questing -- to say nothing of bared breasts - are somehow inimical to the female cast of mind. Either that or, as Commander Higham implies. women derive their own peculiar satisfactions from jam and Jerusalem.

#### **TOMORROW**

A magisterial German exhibition about London at its zenith

# Jungle law obliterates the Magic Roundabout

O omewhere along the line, I dead snails and empty shells into a So the wrong idea about snails. Influenced by my fondness for Brian in The Magic Roundabout, I thought of snails as rather larky characters wearing comical hats and mufflers who deliver wry put-downs. I know this is silly, but you can't legislate for the power of The Magic Roundabout over a young person's imagination: and if I grew up expecting sarcasm from molluses, at least I know where I got the idea. Brian also had a jaunty manner of locomotion, as I recall: reversing back and forth continually, as though engaged in a compulsive seven-point turn. So I tather got the impression that what with the put-downs and the skidding about - snails were the Bruce Forsyths of the natural

So it was a bit of a shock to discover, when I finally took responsibility for a garden, that snails are in fact rather stupid organisms that mechanically chomp through marigolds and delphiniums, and are so blindly partial to a drop of Theakston's Old Peculier that they can actually be lured into drowning in it. Brian's razor-sharp wit and lightness of foot were clearly unrepresentative of his gastropod friends in general. "Where be your gibes now? I say, as I gruesomely pile

sort of garden-path Golgotha (pour encourager les autres). "Your gambols? Your songs? Your flashes of merriment that were ant to set - er. Dougal and Zebedee in a mar?"

Dealing with pests is one of those problems that women prefer not to face alone. In fact, when discussing separation, I have known women suddenly struck by the thought "but who would dispose of the spiders? decide on the instant that the calling-off must be called off. It is sad but true that when a man is around, one automatically crouches on top of a wardrobe saying "Eek" while the chap does the business with the coal shovel. It all happens so quickly, you see, that you don't have time to explore the sexual politics. "Cat's got a frog!" you shout, and before you know it the man has taken charge, and you are scaling the curtains.

I have never actually asked a man outright if he is any good with worms, but it is only a matter of time. There we will be: him, me, moonlight, the heady scent of honeysuckle, the flesh trembling, pushing towards the overwhelming question, and I shall have to spoil it by mentioning worms. The funny thing is, of course, that when no spouse is present to stride manfully worm-wards with a piece of cardSINGLE LIFE

**Lynne Truss** discovers a killer instinct with slimy garden pests



board ("Don't worry your head, little missy, I think Mister Worm

and I understand one another"), a lone woman simply does it herself. She looks up, sees a worm, thinks "Why do cats catch worms? What do they think it proves?" and then picks it up on a copy of Hello! and flings it back on the garden. Up until this year, you see, I let

the man deal with the snails.

"Ugh," I said, as I watched him

idea of handling snails gave me the same species of ab-dabs as the thought of being encased in poly-styrene, or forced to listen to a 30minute concerto for fingernail and blackboard. Watching my brave chap pulling the little suckers off the pots and plants and hurling them over the wall into an overgrown garden next door (with an encouraging shout of "Wheee!") I would huddle in the doorway and gaze admiringly at his prowess, all the while thinking that, left to me. the garden would consist entirely in tall, bare, ravaged stalks and enormous, menacing, over-stuffed molluses blocking the path to the shed.

But in fact, of course, I kill them. don't shout "Wheee" and lob them over the wall: I patrol the garden with a special killing-bucket and a pair of tongs, making evil "snap-snap" noises and cooing "Daddy's home". I used to think all creatures were petals in God's daisy-chain -- but that was before I joined the Marigold Liberation Army, and learned not to feel compassion. After a successful snail-raid, I even add insult to injury by watching my favourite piece of archive footage from Nationwide (shown last year in BBC2's extravaganza The Lime

pick them up, "I couldn't do that." Grove Story) where a huge snall No. no. I couldn't do that." The called Boozy is shown supping the froth off a pint before suddenly falling off stone dead with a thump. It makes me laugh every time. I could never love a snail. The

As to the deeper purpose of

great crime writer Patricia Highsmith keeps snails, I believe, at her home in Switzerland, but I am not sure this is evidence of affection. She once wrote a terrifying short story in which a foolhardy zoology professor encounters gigantic snails on a remote island, and has his shoulder bitten clean off (munch, munch) by a snail in search of fresh protein. It wasn't funny, but it helped to get the enemy in perspective. I mean, I think she was saying they'd kill us if they had the chance.

Patricia Highsmith is probably intrigued by their homicidal tendencies, and takes the more dangerous specimens into town for a pub-crawl, to see how they'll act with a few beers inside them. At which point, - of course! - they probably put on the hats and mufflers and start saying "Nice to see you, to see you nice" while zigzagging across the bar in the snails' equivalent of the hokey-cokey. I never realised it before. All that skidding about and sarcasm that Brian used to do - perhaps he was



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WC2 (071-379 5399) Mon-Thurs.

8pm, Fri, 6pm and 9pm, Sat. 4 30pm and 8.30pm 150mms.

SOME LIKE IT HOT: But what we

get is lukewarm. Tommy Steele in poor musical version of the film

Prince Edward, Old Compton Street, W1 (071-734 8951), Mon-Sat, 7 45pm,

mats Thurs, Sat. 3pm, 165mins

STRAIGHT AND NARROW

Nicholas Lyndhurst, Neil Daglish and Carmel McSharry in likeable cornedy

her gay son Wyndham's, Channg Cross Road, VvC2 (071-867 1116), Mon-Sat, 8pm

TIS PITY SHE'S A WHORE With

Ford's tragedy of moest and revenge burns with a fierce glory.
The Pit, Barbican Centre, Silk Street (071-638 8891). Tonight-Sat, 7 30pm mat tomorrow, Sat, 2pm 180mins.

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LONG RUNNERS: 
Aspects of Love:
Prince of Wales (071-839 5972)

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**TODAY'S EVENTS** 

A daily quide to arts

compiled by Kari Knight

Riverside Studios, Crisp Road, London W6 (081-748 3354), tonight, romorrow, Sat, 7 45pm, Sut., 5pm

MARY MCGOVERN: Amort with a

multi-octave range, the American sing files effortlessly from pop to scat, easy listening to musical theatre. Her

ntercretations of Gersham and Porter

one-off Sarbicas; concert with her curries, performing songs from a new recording of Fifues and early Sintes

songs, Baby i'm Yours Barbican, Silk Street, London 8C2 (071-638 8891), 7 45pm

STARS FROM THE BOLSHO! BALLET:

leads a company of 30 cancers on this entensive Brinsh tour. Under the direction of Bolshol director hun.

Gricorovich, the group will perform two programmes, including the second acts of Swan Lake and Groelle presented with

is designed to bring a tacte of the Bolshor to venues too small to accommodate the full company. Next

JOAN ARMATRADING: This versatile performer has just released her 15th album but the warm, disanctive voice sounds as fresh as ever. She is ably

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London

House full, returns only

THE MADNESS OF GEORGE FIL:

In the Middless of Gender in: Migel Hawforne is very fine as the stricten lung in Alan Bennett's intriguing, slightly puzzling Beans, SE1 (071-928 2252) Tonght-Sat, 7.30pm, mat tomorrow, Sat, 2.15pm 170mms

A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM:

III A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM; Ian Talbot's jolly producton, full of rough and tumble and evergreen cornedy. Dirisdale Landen plays Bottom Open Air, Regent's Pari, NW1 (071-486-2431). Tonight-Sat, Spm, mat today, 2.30pm. 165mns.

MOBY DICK: A girls' school puts on a fund-raising show Tony Monopoly plays a headmistress playing Captain

Piccadilly, Denman Street, W1 (071-867 1118), Mon-Set, 8pm, mats Tues.

normals repute a Spoots active production, rather too good to be true to the play's darker content. National (Olivier), South Bank, SE 1 1071-928 2252) Today, 2pm and 2pm 165mins.

THE RULES OF THE GAME: Richard

Griffiths and Nicola Pagett in Prandello's sardonic study of mantal revenge; not as sulphurous as it could be but still a

graping drama.
Almeida, Almeida Street, N1 (071-359
4404), Mon-Sat 8pm, mat Sat, 4pm

☐ A SUP OF THE TONGUE: A wolfish

John Mallrowch in a lightweight drama that seems to equate East-European

dissidence with getting girls into bed. Shaftesbury, Shaftesbury Avenue,

 $\square$  THE RECRUITING OFFICER:

Nicholas Hytner's good-natured

sat, 4pm 135mins

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HOWARD'S END (PG): Absorbing version of E.M. Forster's novel about two colliding families with different ideals. With Anthony Hopkins, Emma Thompson, Helena Borham-Carter Director, James Wory
Curzon Mayfair (071-465 8865)
Curzon Phoenix (071-240 9661)

THE LONG DAY CLOSES (12) Terence Davies's powerful evocation of childhood's lost paradise. With Leigh McCormadi. Marjone Yates, and a wonderful aural collage of Fifties. Curzon West End (071-439 4805).

◆ THE MAMBO KINGS (15)\* Smartly mounted but simplistic version of Oscar Hituelos's novel about Cuban musicians in New York. Armand Assante. Antonio Banderas, director, Arne Clariches.

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ROCK

# Gary gets the credit at last

THE mantle of musical respectability has only lately, and grudgingly, been bestowed on Belfast-born Moore. A guitar prodigy who joined his first professional band at 16 and came to popular attention as a member first of Skid Row and then Thin Lizzy, he has spent the bulk of his career staring glumly from the front covers of assorted "metal" magazines while being comprehensively ignored by most other sectors of the rock press.

A series of solo albums did little to change his fan base. Most harnessed his playing skills to an uneasy alliance of blues and cliché-laden heavy rock. while the characteristic belligerence of Moore's expressions on the sleeve photos scared off all but the lionhearted.

To his credit, nobody sensed the limitations of his popular image more keenly than the artist himself, and his announcement that his first album of the Nineties would highlight the ways in which Sixties guitar heroes such as Hendrix, Clapton, Jeff Beck and Peter Green shaped the subsequent course of rock came as a modest but welcome surprise. To his and his record label's satisfaction. Still Got the Blues caught both public and critics off-guard. earning him strong sales and positive reviews in Britain and throughout Europe.

Originally mooted merely as an adjunct to his main career (presumably for fear of alienating the metalhead sector of his following), it went on to dismantle the stereotype of Moore as an unsubtle axe warrior. It also won

ONLY snapshot impressions are pos-

sible of this, the third annual gathering

in north London of Irish. Celtic for

simply sympathetic) musicians. There

were three dozen billed acts, on three

Of the 131 saw, Christy Moore took

separate stages, over about ten hours.

the solo honours. Wearing the usual

black T-shirt, playing acoustic guitar

and the bodhran hand-drum, he spoke

directly to the heart and the feet with

such favourites as "Delirium Tre-

mens", "Holy Ground", "Lisdoon-

varna", "Welcome to the Cabaret" and

Jem Finer and Shane MacGowan's

moments of his set were the compelling

ballad "Ride On" and a majestic "After

Moore's commanding, unpretentious

dignity. The Chieftains never play a

bad set, but their fires were banked

down in mid-afternoon: Les Négresses

Vertes put on a mini-carnival, swarm-

ing colourfully across the big stage, but

the flavour of their world-music stew

seemed to evaporate very quickly. A

dozen muddy yards out. it was defeated

by the hamburger stalls, the music

leaking from the other stages and the

ceaseless shuffling of the queues for

A DAY of music-making for Crusaid

got off to a shaky start. The small bomb

that exploded next to the Festival Hall

Not only were all the morning

performances cancelled, but crucial set-

up time was lost for two spectacular

shows: Britten's Nove's Fludde with

what seemed like 500 children and the

European premiere of the Maury

Yeston-Arthur Kopit musical Nine. It

was a wonder that either got on, and

odd though it might have been to hear

the Dunkirk Spirit invoked so regular-

ly in high theatrical circles, it was

Nine. adapted from Fellini's 8 1/2

into a wholesome, sentimental hymn

to luvviedom, fitted the occasion per-

fectly: standing ovations, not a dry eye, etcetera. As is so often the case with composer-lyricists from Wagner to

Sondheim, Yeston's music may not sit

up and wag its tail at you, but he knows

how to build up a number to the point

where thunderous applause is the only

answer, a fact of which Liliane Monte-

certainly needed, and it was there.

early on Sunday meant that the whole

complex was closed for ten hours.

beer and the disgusting toilets.

Most of the other acts fell short of

the Deluge".

'Fairytale of New York"; but the best

Gary Moore Hammersmith Odeon

him such belated respect as a master of the blues guitar that a pair of October dates at the Albert Hall have been required to absorb the overspill from these two Hammersmith appearances.

But while an efficient, no-frills and energetic set based mainly on this album and its recent successor After Hours showed this renaissance to be well-deserved, it also left one wishing that Moore himself could be as eloquent as his guitar.

Soberly suited but shaggy-haired, he is the antithesis of the showman. Nothing beyond a hello or goodbye framed the performance, while his two extremes of facial expression - teeth bared in anguish during his intricatelyconstructed solos, or a total deadpan expression at all other times - made even a smile in recognition of the warmth of his reception difficult to accommodate.

Gorgeously brooding versions of Duster Bennen's "Jumpin" at Shadows" or Johnny "Guitar" Watson's 'Too Tired" added atmosphere and emotional variation amid a succession of blues laments and raucous rockers. But the highlight of the evening came from Moore's own pen.

"Still Got the Blues", title track of his direction-changing album, may echo the earlier hit single, "Parisian Walkways", in its compositional structure. but its careful balance of guitar



One of his two extremes of expression: Gary Moore at Hammersmith

pyrotechnics, lyrical world-weariness himself was forced to raise the ghost of and melodic pop provided the perfect a grin at its triumphant conclusion. evolutionary link between old and new era Moore. Even the singer and player

ALAN JACKSON

ROCK

# Bigger, but not better

Fleadh 1992

Finsbury Park

Pausing briefly by such fringe Irish at-

tractions as the Mexican Hammock Company and Lulu's Café. I paddled

over to Stage Two for The Stunning, a Galway quintet with a neat line in Sixties retro-rock, a lead singer resembling Marc Bolan and (a touch of the showband, this) a congas and trumpet player. They enjoy their work, and such songs as "Be Around" and "Love" indicate that larger stages await. Their élan was all the brighter in contrast to the Cranberries, whose singer Dolores O'Riordain alternated between sullen and indignant during their determinedly dirge-like songs.

Meanwhile, the dark and denselycrowded "Acoustic Tent" was throbbing with barely suppressed jigging as Sharon Shannon and friends poured out accordion and concertina music. Apart from the heat, this was the most congenial of the three performance areas, its roof containing and concen-

have been nice if Jonathan Pryce had

had time to learn the Mastroianni role:

there's nothing like a score in hand to

put a damper on proceedings, but when he hurled it into the audience at

the end. Albert Herring-style, all was

art from those who managed to set it

up and light it) were the excellent con-

ductor Timothy Higgs and the mem-

bers of the huge chorus, who sang

lustily and as one in an astounding

The heroes of the performance (ap-

trating the sound. The electrified Black 47, as much jazz fusion as rock, were

too loud here and could be heard over Christy Moore on the main stage. But before that. Bob Geldof unveiled his Happy Clubsters (imagine the Boomtown Rats combined with the Faces), a revolting suit and a renewed appetite for rock. His rousing set included several Rats oldies. In the

long pause after the line "The lesson

today is how to die", during "I Don't

Like Mondays", we all practised punching-your-fist-in-the-air This came in handy during Andrew Strong's soul-revue. There was no mistaking Strong's Commitment or willingness to destroy his vocal cords in the cause of "Take Me to the River" and "In the Midnight Hour", but "Soul Conspiracy" and "Save My Soul" are thin stuff and his repeated punches and kicks to signal the end of

the songs became tiresome.

The Sultans of Ping F.C. is a male Curk quarter fronted by a singer in shiny horpants and tights and a hassguitarist in a dress. By Iggy Pop out of Madness and Wreckless Eric, singer Niall O'Flaherty studiously insulted the Stage Two audience and danced like a hyperactive Marc Almond, but the music failed to match the misbehaviour. These boys need help (and a sympathetic producer).

The Saw Doctors, on the other hand, need no further assistance. Riding a wave of popularity of unstoppable momentum, they swept out onto the main stage and swung through a set which confirmed them as The Next Big Thing. The Pogues, who followed, are now without Shane MacGowan and floundering in his wake. They must be considered The Last Big Thing, for all the enthusiasm with which their anthems and singalongs are still greeted.

As for Fleadh itself, its success has made it a monster; too many hands, too high a ticket price (£25 at the gate), too much to take in and not enough toilets. It is a friendly creature, to be sure, but nonetheless a monster. Time

TONY PATRICK

**FESTIVAL** 

# Where there's spirit there's plenty of life

suffering wife), Meg Johnson (the chief chambermaid), and

forgiven.

**Music for Life** 

Britten's setting of South Bank Centre the Chester miracle play caused some Becky Norman (mistress) were not far uncomfortable vibrations in this particbehind, and Anita Dobson enjoyed ular context. The destruction by a herself enormously playing the critic as pantomime wicked fairy. It would

vengeful God of his people "sette full fowle in sinne" sent a chill up the spine on which the casting in this particular production of that God as a) a woman and b) black - the magnificent Wilhelmenia Fernandez — shed not quite enough warmth. And how about that expendable raven? Or the unmarried unicorn? Despite God's assurance at the end that "suche vengeance shall cease". I still find this piece even harder to sit through without protest than Billy Budd, especially when as powerfully performed as here by the Finchley Children's Music Group.

The frustrating thing about such occasions is that you cannot possibly hear everything, but it was good to catch an exhibarating Rossini cabaret brunch, and then a bittersweet performance of Stephen Oliver's bewitching little Schnitzler opera. A Man of Feeling, by Lynne Davies, Jonathan Veira and Helen Crayford.

But the highlight for me was the premiere of The Small Moments (in life), a collaboration between Judith Weir and Martin Duncan, high priest of performance art. Lasting barely 15 minutes (and repeated at intervals), this was in effect ten mini-operas by Weir, with such titles as Emily Pankhurst Hypnotises Her Sister and Don Giovanni up a Ladder performed simultaneously, while the peripatetic audience was prodded from one to the next by aculytes with their heads in paper bags.
This was a little miracle of wit, yet at

the same time something rather more than that, a happening of infinite mystery and substance. It must be repeated, somehow, somewhere.

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Ute Lemper, Germany's leading singing star, who plays the "Dietrich" role of Lola, All

performances were cancelled

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The latest crisis concerns

# Singers who are worth the journey

Opera: Rodney Milnes on the new Royal Opera production of Wagner's Der fliegende Holländer at Covent Garden

of Midland Bank Proms opened on Monday at Covent Garden with a new production of Der fliegende Hollander by Ian Judge, his first for the Royal Opera. As always, one sat down in the hope that it might at last be made plain just why this overrated piece maintains its place in the repertory (were it not by Wagner it would have been dropped years ago) and as always one emerged as bewildered as before.

There are about 20 minutes of good music in the score, most of hem in the virtuoso nautical double chorus of the third act, which is notoriously difficult to balance in the theatre (here the ghosts' voices were relayed through the auditorium dome, which is to avoid the prob-lem). The listener is confronted with many a quart d'heure of demonstrably bad music, in particular that for Erik, who suffers some of the most graceless vocal writing given to a tenor in all 19th-century opera.

Eisewhere, the composer's apparent inability to move from one musical paragraph to the next, even in the Dutchman's monologue and the love duet, is cause for continuous embarrassment he just stops, shamefacedly, and starts again. The banality of the much-repeated Redemption theme grows more obvious at each hearing, and the general hysteria of so much of the writing (if in doubt, repeat a phrase a semitone higher) is as wearisome as the sheer importance of it all.

Simply at the level of technique, Wagner at this stage of his career (1843) had not learnt nearly enough from Weber, or from Marschner even. Not only musically but dramatically as well Der Freischütz and Hans Heiling are infinitely more successful Gothick-horror operas, with characters that develop - in stark contrast to the blatantly static

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principals of The Flying Dutchman. Having got that off my chest. I submit that the production team's chief task is to paper over the multiple cracks as best they can, and in this they were only partially successful. Christoph von Dohnanyi, while securing spirited if occasionally undisciplined playing from the orchestra, seemed content to give the portentousness of the score its head, almost emphasising the compositional hiatuses as they came and, all too slowly, went. But at least he conducted the good music for all its considerable worth.

Judge, rightly sensing that with such wafer-thin pasteboard protagonists there is precious little actually to direct, prudently concentrated on the supporting roles (the quirkly characterful Daland of Gwynne Howell and Neill Archer's charmingly athletic Steersman) and on visual effects, leaving the leads to get on with being singing-machines.

John Gunter's set is based on a

swivelling, rearing platform very much after the manner of Sean Kenny (Covent Garden, 1966), which allowed for neat transitions between the acts: the work was played, as Wagner intended, without breaks. The sudden appearance of a whole Norwegian village street was quite beautifully contrived, and the arrival of the ghost ship just about passed muster - nothing in my experience has approached Timothy O'Brien's spectacular solution in Dennis Arundell's Sadler's Wells production of 1958.

Deirdre Clancy's costumes are folksy-traditional, with not quite enough contrast between the normal and the paranormal. In general, the Gothick was in short supply, and if you are not going to purvey the occasional frisson of terror, why - the question that keeps on coming back - bother to do the piece at all? There was, to answer that ques-



Stentorian chorus: the Norwegian villagers are gathered on the quayside, watching the Dutchman's ghost ship

tion in part, some excellent singing. not least from the chorus on stentorian form under the joint leadership of Terry Edwards and Norbert Balatsch. Their diction, in particular, was exemplary.

Julia Varady won all hearts, even mine, as Senta. Her silvery, mettlesome soprano, firmly disciplined and with a useful but sparingly used chest register, is an enormously attractive instrument, as warm as it

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is incisive, and she has found many a clever way of getting round those passages that are in truth a touch too heavy for her. She is a notably generous performer, and while the character may be pasteboard, Varady painted that board in strong, primary colours.

In the deeply unsympathetic title role (how dare he demand total subservience to the point of selfsacrifice from every woman he lights

Wagner, that's why), James Morris looked no more menacing than one's favourite uncle dressed up as Captain Hook, but he sang extremely beautifully. How often does one hear a genuine pianissimo in Wagner, or the long phrases sung with such musical sensibility? Each time the character suddenly moves from minor into major key, he made an especially eloquent point of it.

Sunnegardh (Erik), the Swedish tenor winning fame in Europe as Lohengrin and Parsifal and here making his Royal Opera debut, was off-form. Or he was defeated by Wagner's virtually unsingable vocal lines, in which case he deserves every sympathy: but the top of his voice sounded worryingly unsteady. Forget Wagner: this production is worth visiting for Varady.

her voice two days after open-ing night. The illness followed scathing reviews in the German press. A front page article in one of Berlin's popular papers attacked Lemper for sing-ing "Falling in Love Again" in English, something which, according to the paper, "even Dietrich never attempted". Last chance . . .

ALTHOUGH her career has stalled in America. Diana Ross has enjoyed such a substantial renaissance in Europe thanks to the success of last year's album. The Force Behind The Power, that demand for tickets for her shows here last November prompted follow-up dates this summer. Her assured delivery and immaculate sense of timing still provide flashes of her former brilliance. For lovers of that old Motown magic, her final British date is at SECC, Glasgow (041 248 3000) tonight.

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# Desperation is never out of fashion

"One of the things I would say

without any hesitation," his

voice rises as he says it, "for as

long as he doesn't say - he

being F.W. de Klerk - for as

long as he doesn't say 'I'm

sorry. Forgive me,' I can't

believe him. Because nobody,

nobody, least of all him can

ever be in ignorance of what

apartheid did to people. And

to think it can be reduced to a

few bland utterances about a

misguided policy which we

finally realised wasn't

working ... that is something

But looking backwards is

not the most productive way of

seeing South Africa today. Fugard agrees. There is still a

tendency to hang on to what is

behind us, instead of slough-

ing it off like a dead skin. That

is something I have tried to do

in my new play: a certain

exorcism, a purging.

we haven't cleared yet."

That happens to a protest artist when the thing he is protesting about disappears? Athol Fugard poses the question himself. People think it might apply to him, he suggests, now that apartheid is being dismantled, and he gets asked it a lot. "It is a question which is

amazing for the ignorance it displays about South Africa," he says fiercely. People seemed to think initially that there was going to be a very easy ride into the new South Africa that everybody has been that isn't true.

"Implicit in asking me that question was the definition of myself as some sort of antiapartheid activist in the literary field. That is a label and a pigeon hole that I find very irksome.

"Politics as such has never been my first concern when I sit down to write a play or - to use a phrase I prefer - to tell a story. I am essentially a story teller, and I like telling stories about desperate people. God knows, there were plenty of those in the old days of apartheid, and I think there

are going to be plenty in the new South Africa as well." At present Fugard is rehearsing his latest play, Playland: not the first to have its world premiere in South Africa, but the first for some years. It is set in a travelling funfair on New Year's Eve 1989, a month before President F.W. de Klerk made his astounding speech in parliament announcing the death of apartheid. Like others of Fugard's plays, it has only two characters: a black man and a

white man. "The play is about violence," he says. "Like all my plays, at the core of it lie a handful of images which have gone through long gestation. Some of the earliest images which led to the writing of the play go Athol Fugard is having his first new play staged in South Africa for several years.

#### Michael Hamlyn spoke to the playwright

back 25 years in my notebooks. "Then there are recent events which added momenturn to the writing. It is about the karma of violence. I sturnbled on that phrase yesterday. and I realised it was a perfect description for the play I have

"Both characters have personal histories of violence. In the course of their meeting and the confrontation that it leads to, they have to confront the consequences of the violence that lies behind them. and the consequences in their lives: what it has done to them. Violence is a double-edged

sword. When you kill a man you do something to yourself. That is what my play is about." One image that Fugard plucked from his memory is used to illustrate the tenderness for life that characterises the Afrikaner, the Afrikaner that the world might sometimes see as a harsh, unthinking brute. It is a memory of a fishing trip in company of an

Afrikaner boy. The boy had home-made equipment but caught a small fish and was disembowelling it to put on his hook to catch a larger one. The fish was of a species that gives birth to its young fully-formed, and as a crystalline pool of tiny fish fell to the rock the boy became distressed. "Oh my God," he said, "I have sinned."

"It is this reverence for life that the Afrikaner has deep within his psyche," says Fugard. "That innocence I lodge in one of my characters."

Though Fugard disclaims being an anti-apartheid polemicist, he has, as he approaches his sixtieth birthday. not lost any of the bristling anger that characterises him.

"cabalistic machinations of

money" that have given us a toytown Docklands that does

not work. And Boyce talked of

her dilemma as a black artist:



Fugard: now optimistic

He is in any case now moderately optimistic about the future of his country. With as much honesty as I am capable of, when I examine myself, I end up with a residue - and it's the bottom line - of optimism. Never during the darkest period of apartheid was I ever capable of handing myself over to a pessimistic scenario. I can see things going wrong, very seriously: huge stumbling blocks. huge diversions. There could be an appalling price to pay for an eventual emergence into a truly decent and open democratic society. But I do believe we will get there."

And when South Africa gets there Fugard expects still to be writing. "I have got to face the fact that I am 60, that the major part - maybe not the best part - of my writing career lies behind me. I certainly have plans for plays beyond the one I am just staging. I am impatient to be back in my line as a writer again because a great new urgency has come to me, born out of the extraordinary energy of this moment in the

country's history.
"Most probably, my strategy in what remains of my writing time is going to be the same as my strategy has always been: I am going to follow the promptings of my heart and respond not to ideas but to the stories, the images and the people, to the people that come my way."

## Lelio (Crispin Redman, left) and the Countess (Christabelle Dilks) **Tedious and trivial pursuit**

admirers on our side of the Channel and this play will do nothing to woo the unconverted to his slimy morality. He gives us the usual character disguised as someone else, here an heiress dressed up as a bold chevalier in order to suss out the honesty of Lelio, the man she expects to marry. Like everyone else in the play he is governed by a frenzy for money, conducting an affair with a Countess, but only to rid himself of debt, and now keen to dump her and larger fortune. The supposed Chevalier pretends to aid him by paying court to the Countess and succeeds only too well, causing her to stammer affectionate responses and flutter

Admirers of Marivaux speak of the elegant style his characters employ when discoursing on love. The objection is that, apart from

here was nothing par-ticularly original about the format of last

night's Rear Window, called

"Running Down the Mountain" (Channel 4). Half a dozen talking-heads expressed

era when we became afraid to

evaluate art, lest we be thought

elitist. Specialist critics who

"know their stuff" were passed

over in favour of shamelessly

self-promoting "style gurus" in baggy jackets, who were as

happy pontificating about, say, the evolution of the super-

market trolley as about the

sexual tensions in Cosi fan

bitte. Indeed, they would have

considered both to be equally

worthy of senious artistic

The False Servant Gate

the Countess, nobody here sincerely feels any love. Their passionate declarations are lies. The Chevalier (Christabelle Dilks) hurls endearments, demands replies, in order to drag the Countess (Susannah Morley) even further out on an emotional limb. and since this is one woman humiliating another, the effect is peculiarly nasty. "I have a respect for you that is inviolate," the Chevalier snaps.

Nasty little hypocrite.
Jonathan Guy Martin's direction encourages his cast to posture. William Hope's Trivelin, the servant no falser than his employer, is played as a fawning Irish rogue who over-estimates the charm of blarney. When not inventing their own feelings, the characters invent encounters, such as

the one Trivelin pretends occurred between the Chevalier and the Countess in a corner of the garden. Neither what he imagines nor the way he conveys it has any interest. It's

unendurable. Two of the characters and their performances hold the attention. The bumpkin Arlequin of Gary Whitaker makes no secret of his longing for coins and a kiss, and this refreshing honesty nicely partners the foppish self-awareness of Crispin Redman's Lelio, whose cupidity may be what gets the play going, but is untainted with smarminess or pretended virtue.

Redman's stuttering amazement at Whitaker's dippiness is entertaining but hardly en-ough to explain why the Gate chose this slight, disagreeable play. At least one can hope the characters will be guillotined once the Bastille falls.

JEREMY KINGSTON

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TELEVISION REVIEW

# The night the talking heads decided to spill the beans

their views on the state of modern art, and the camera This "crisis in judgement" occasionally cut away to show was made worse by the comexamples of their own art. Yet mercial zeal prevailing in the television will broadcast no Thatcher years. True, arts more important arts proadministrators badly needed their crash courses in business the zeitgeist of British artistic management. But did all that life captured in a 45-minute go too far? discussion of cogent and grip-In the arts world, said the ping quality.

Cheerful it wasn't. The 1980s were dismissed as the

Guardian's theatre critic Michael Billington, "the kind of people who were sanctified were the most popular and moneymaking". What should we make of an era in which the only Big Idea that arts people felt worth talking about was marketing? Or a decade in which more newsprint seemed to be devoted to the auctioneer with a Van Gogh under his hammer than to the artists

themselves. Courageously, Rear Window also took apart its own medium, for the way that

television consistently trivialises arts coverage by demanding "sexy" presentation. As evidence, the programme dug up some truly ludicrous footage: of eminent art historians, for instance, agreeing to lie on their backs and stare at the clouds in order to discuss how Constable painted the

How did such rubbish ever get passed? The answer is that, at the time, nobody dared counter the view that style should come first and ideas a poor second. As an amusing side-show. Rear Window also took a swipe at the "powerful little coterie" that is said to control arts programming on both the BBC and independent networks.

Of course, it is one thing to

say that we should again

muster the nerve to make

value judgements, quite another to agree on the judgements themselves. Rear Window at least made a start on the thorny matter of re-establishing criteria, by asking three creative figures — composer Sir Harrison Birtwistle, artist Sonia Boyce and novelist Iain Sindair - to put their own art in a context.

irtwistle's acidic dissonances make no compromises whatever to the anti-elitists, and he offered a typically blunt non-justification: "If people find what I do difficult, well, I did not come from the moon; I came out of the context of now."

Similarly, Sinclair - the would-be Dickens of Dalston placed his bleak novels of changing East End life in the context of what he saw as the

whether her colour should itself be the main motor of her The message from all this was clear. Artists cannot always be taking the easy, "accessible" or commercial path. Audiences must sometimes work hard to understand; their reward is a rich and varied

artistic life. Supermarket trolleys and Cosi do not inhabit the same bland world of "modern culture". To think that they do is to accept too passively the views of the world that the image-makers - the advertising agencies, design gurus, style and fashion magazines -- concoct for us.

They do not want us to think overmuch, or dig beneath their plausible surfaces: we might twig how ephemeral their visions are. Thank goodness the tide seems to be turning against them at last.

RICHARD Morrison

Well-school

# Taking a fallacy seriously

Caroline Quest is rather surprised at the reaction to the report on equal opportunities she has edited, Libby Purves says

politically correct. Let us not become overheated, just because the Institute of Economic Affairs has brought out a startling report entitled Equal Opportunities: A Feminist Fallacy. Let us listen, and nod with the courtesy we would accord an elderly aunt. while the institute confidently states that sex roles are genetically deter-mined (all to do with differences between men's and women's "cerebral hemispheres" and other bits, dear) and that men's dominance in the workplace and women's domesticity are the natural order.

There is no point foaming at the mouth just because a New York professor is given 17 pages of a report subsidised by British taxpay-ers (the IEA is a charity) in which to josh about how much more suitable it is for a woman to be "a keyboard operator" than a "vice-president for purchasing" and that unequal achievement at work is parallel to women's failure to be professional baseball players because of their smaller muscles.

Let us read, with a true effort to understand, when David Conway (the head of Middlesex University school of philosophy and religious studies) presents us with a touching pastoral parable about "Adam and Eve" who run a wheat farm, and a kindly explanation of why Eve ought to stay indoors and raise the children while Adam raises the wheat, because they're bound to produce more wheat that way than if they share both jobs, and that even if they split up Adam will pay her compensation, won't he? Let us accept that, as the authors

unanimously claim, equal opportunities legislation is expensive and counterproductive, and be curbed rather than allowed to run arnok. Above all, stay calm. Practise breathing evenly through such statements as: "Biology exonerates men by explaining male economic success in terms of innate differences in ability": "People encourage girls to be dainty because daintiness is useful in activities which, as a matter of fact, most girls will elect"; "There are couples who need (i.e. want) two incomes" and "It is in the divorce courts and family courts and not in the workplace that the law should be used to achieve equity between the sexes". After an hour of reading this stuff, it was necessary for this reporter sternly to adjure herself that carpet-chewing and immoderate laughter are no answer. This is a report with enough gravitas and footnotes to get noticed, and there are those who will be only too glad to back it. So we should know

where and why it all originated.
The editor is Caroline Quest, formerly an assistant director at the Health and Welfare unit of the is now an associate editor of their publications, working a three-day week. The reason for this stepdown is that she has, at 30, just had her first baby, now eight months old. Her husband David Conway is one of the main contributors to the report (the Adam and Eve man) and the report is Ms Quest's own

personal initiative. It is reassuring to know that even in institutes of economic affairs, the occasional rush of maternal hormones can make its mark. Ms Quest's message is, above all, an impassioned defence of traditional nuclear families, majoring on hands-on motherhood and the evils of state childcare. A lot of us have felt that

way, in the first eight months. Ms Quest did not, she says, mean to be provocative. "Absolutely not. I had been following the American literature on the disadvantages of equal opportunities policies and sex discrimination for a long time. I drew on that. But I didn't expect it to create so much interest. It must have touched a nerve."

Her views, entirely in harmony with even the most extreme statements in the report, are of a kind which will arouse strong feelings.

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Women with children, she believes, display a "fundamental and ineradicable biological assymmetry which employers are well within their rights to consider. Women should be subject to questions about their intentions of future childbearing and childcare, and yes, rejected if they are likely to take maternity leave that would disadvantage the employer.

Women without children "can easily compete on equal terms, and baneful effects of anti-discrimination legislation, which only prejudices employers against women anyway. We aren't saying women shouldn't achieve powerful positions in society. I myself would like to achieve one. But I want to do it under my own steam and receive due recognition. I don't want to have got there through special measures. It doesn't make sense for society to help women to get where they wouldn't be otherwise. Let the free market sort it all out."

State childcare, as sought by the European Commission, is her greatest bete noire, a "conspiracy" she ranks with the worst evils of Eastern European socialism. Even welfare, talking about mothers on the poverty level without whose earnings the family would be out on the street, Ms Quest is angrily adamant. "Where is the father in this hypothetical family?" she says immediately, and when told he is out of work, or low-earning, or dead, or has run off, she returns a

scornful "We do have a welfare state, you know. And family credit, and all sorts of measures. If a woman is working she can pay for her own childcare. I do."

But the real enemy, targeted throughout the report, is the idea that any minute now Europe, or some "profligate" Citizen's Charter. will force quotas of women on employers. Never mind that so far in Britain only I per cent of chief executives are women and that fewer than 5 per cent of women are members of the Institute of Directors, Ms Quest sees a conspiracy at work. "These women - when will they be satisfied? 25 per cent? 40 per cent? At 50 per cent, or more? OK, we don't have quotas in this country, but there are ways employers can positively discriminate in training programmes, or target their advertising at women."

One interesting claim is that "in rushing to appear unbiased, employers will promote women prematurely into jobs they are not prepared to handle ... When these women cannot perform or perform in a mediocre manner, it will be seen as confirmation that women cannot handle high-level positions. The effect on women would be

This is not a new argument. For decades women breaking new ground at the top of male-dominated professions have felt an extra responsibility not to let the side down lest anybody mutter "woman driver!". But is it happening, as the report seems to fear, in the business world? Are politically correct companies promoting women into jobs they cannot handle?

Ask a headhunter. I asked Di Anna Mann, who founded the highly successful London agency Whitehead Mann after being told that women could never get far in headhunting because companies wouldn't trust them. Now she hunts down both men and women for the highest-flying jobs. Are the women being appointed over their

"I can think of no situations," she says, "in which any such thing has happened. None at all. Although 1 don't really believe in the glass ceiling now, either." So what does happen under our equal opportunity legislation? "Companies are now more anxious to search properly. and they all like to see women on the shortlist. They put pressure on agencies like mine to conduct a proper search, without prejudice. But I have honestly never known a woman get a job because she was a woman: Companies wouldn't risk

I put this to Ms Quest, who said "So they ask for women on the shortlist, do they? There you are!" But she admitted that "the report is largely based on American data". And Dr Mann mused: "Americans do go a bit over the top on these things, I suppose."

As for the biological difference, that tender womanly predisposition to bash keyboards and nurture people and enjoy "routine algorithmic tasks" described with such relish by Professor Levin: what



four (the youngest still only eight) and sits on the Opportunity 2000 committee, but she has never been doctrinaire about what women should do. "It is very important not to make women at home feel inadequate. The role of mother, hostess, and housekeeper is fine if you want and can afford it. But there is no point in making sweeping statements about women being designed by nature to bake bread. It's typecasting. What does happen, I think, is just that women do more balancing: I get asked to sit on a lot of boards and committees, but frankly if I happen to have

So perhaps that aspect of the report is right, and "men's dominance in the workplace is the aggregate effect of the sexes' different choices"? "Perhaps. But people are individuals. And really, the prejudice is dying out: I meet old men who've grown up with old ideas of women, and they sometimes have a hard time but even they make an effort now to see women as equal colleagues. And young men who've been through education and training side by side with women don't have any

the report, although she had not yet seen a copy. 'Curiously, I think it could be helpful. American society does take things too far. legislation shouldn't run amok over things like this, and perhaps it's useful to stand

back and look at ourselves now and

Another page of the report rolls off the inexorable fax, another breath from the 1950s. "Passing over Jim to hire Jane harms Jim's wife by as much as it helps Jane. Helping one woman by harming another can hardly compensate women as a whole ... " Breathe deeply, and count ten.

#### AND BRIEFLY

# **Hen House** training

THE Hen House offers intensive weekend and week-long courses for women on everything from writing and painting to ballroom dancing and t'ai chi. The Women's Educational Trust administers bursaries for women who cannot afford the £110-plus fees. The trust is currently sponsoring a Short Story Competition to raise money for its bursary fund. Stories of up to 3,500 words on any subject should be sent — together with a E5 entry fee — to The Women's Educational Trust, The Hen House, Hawerby Hall, North Thoresby, Lincolnshire DN36 5QL, by October 1. Two will be chosen for publication in Writing Women, a journal for women's creative writing edited from Newcastle upon Tyne. The author of the best entry will also be offered a free weekend course of her choice at The Hen House, and winners will be announced by November.

#### Cheap thrills

THE latest in a growing band of thrift guides which have appeared since the start of the Nincties is The Good Deal Directory. Available for the first time this month, and to be published ten times a year (not August and January — the big sale months) by the newly formed Value For Money Company, it lists the dates of designer sales, gives advice on where to get secondhand haby clothes and explains how to clean muddy boots by rubbing with the inside of a banana skin. There is also a "Swap Shop" for readers to exchange garments or gifts. Whether it will save subscribers the £15 it costs each year is anybody's guess - but thrifty readers can obtain the first issue free by sending an SAE to June Elson. The Good Deal Directory, Freepost (SW 6037), London SW10 9YY.

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#### Home help

THE family home built between 1750 and 1939 has suffered most from insensitive "improvements", claims the Collins Complete Home Restoration Manual by Albert Jackson and David Day, £24.99. This book is designed to help owners renovate period fittings and fixtures in an appropriate way replacing them with authentic alternatives - and advises on when to call in specialists.

VICTORIA MCKEE

# **Blast for the Commons man**

hen Bridget Prentice entered the House of Commons bar for the first time after the 10 o'dock vote, she was struck with how much it reminded her of closing time in her home town of Glasgow. "The men rushed in and ordered about 17 pints each in ten minutes," says the new MP for Lewisham East.

Liz Lynne, the Liberal Democrat MP who replaced Sir Cyril Smith at Rochdale, remembers that during her first vote, she was told by a male MP that there were far too many women MPs, was addressed by him as "my dear" and told she would be better off making a cup of

Both women, MPs of six weeks' standing, have been taken aback by the macho and chauvinistic atti-tudes of some of their male colleagues in the Commons. The impressive building and the sense of power are both intoxicating, they say. It is the overgrown schoolboys that irritate.

They are still struggling to come to terms with the barracking younger MPs who straddle the backbenches calling each other names and trying to score points. "Getting up in the chamber is very intimidating. It is a very adversarial husband Gordon also entered the Commons for the first time in April, as MP for Pendle.

Even people standing up asking questions can get themselves totally tongue-tied. The system in there is to look at some way of pulling the rug from under each other's feet and if you make a mistake you get the whole public-school bit thrown at you - yah boohs included. We always try to be in when other women are speaking. When you get into the rough and tumble you need a bit of support."

Tomorrow Mrs Prentice, aged 39, will be sitting beside Bryan Gould in his leadership bid to woo the female vote. Mr Gould is convinced that women are turned off by what he describes as "macho politics", with which the Labour party in particular has been identi-

Who will support Bryan Gould's plea tomorrow for an end to "macho politics"?



Commons critic: Clare Short sees MPs at their worst

fied. "Macho politics means pushing an aggressive image, using aggressive vocabulary and aggressive body language," Mrs Prentice says. She pauses, toying with a spoon in the Commons cafeteria. as a large man sits down at the next table and spreads his newspaper into her face. "It is all part of the competitiveness which is so preva-

lent here," she argues. She is also dismissive of the way politicians, particularly men, dismiss women's interests, which she argues should be an integral part of economic and social policies. "It's as if there is a little box where you can pick out a women's issue, play with it and then put it away and forget about it."

Arguing that women prefer consensual to confrontational politics. Mr Gould has pledged to transform party politics into a reasonable exchange of views between Labour and other groups. He will be softly spoken at the dispatch box. declining to beat his torso or vell abuse at his opposite number. "If we are to attract the electoral support of women, there is a need for a more constructive and consensual approach, in which we try to build on the common ground between us and other groups," Mr Gould says.

"Bryan is a very good listener," Mrs Prentice says. "He doesn't put people down. Many women relate

While progressive parties in other parts of Europe are attracting women. Labour's share of the female vote, particularly among the over-35s, fell in the last election. Mr Gould, who is also standing

for the deputy leadership against Margaret Beckett and John Prescon, has been nominated for that post by nine of the 14 new Labour MPs. While not wishing to denigrate Mrs Beckett's qualities. Mr Gould's supporters argue that she is rather belatedly playing the female card. As part of her campaign she has highlighted the

advantage of having a woman in the leadership team.

There are now 60 women among the 651 MPs, compared with 44 in April This, together with the appointment of a woman Speaker, has, according to some MPs, already created a sea change.

However, Teresa Gorman, Conservative MP for Billericay and veteran campaigner for women in the Commons, is not so sure. "Our backbenchers are still at their favourite spectator sport — eveing up the new female recruits on the opposite benches, sniggering about how attractive or not they are," she

Clare Short, Labour MP for Birmingham Ladywood, who is also supporting Mr Gould tomor-row, says the Commons tends to show politicians at their worst. Prime minister's question time is both hysterical and ridiculous, but the worst time is when MPs return after dinner pissed and noisy for the ten o'clock vote and the wind-up

While most of her comments are directed at her male colleagues Mrs Short concedes that some of them would welcome more civilised exchanges in the chamber and several have been supportive of women. She also points out that women can be as bad. Mrs Thatcher epitomised macho politics and promoted it in the Commons, Mrs

"Neil Kinnock remodelled himself to fight Mrs Thatcher. He cut his hair, stopped telling jokes and tried to be as tough as she was."

Mrs Short says. The original Mr

Kinnock would probably have
fared better against John Major,

Mr Major succeeded because of the contrast with the strident domineering manner of his predecessor. Replacing Mrs Thatcher with a soft-spoken man was the deverest thing the Conservatives have ever done," Mrs Short says. She now wants the Commons' rifle range replaced by a creche.

A new magazine, Bitch, aims to freshen up satire for women

#### T fe have not seen the like of Bitch magazine before. Whether we shall again depends not only on how funny the magazine is but also on whether women are interested in satirical magazines which have, up till now, been a largely male preserve. Bitch, a monthly magazine

which launches in August with the boast "world's first monthly women's humour magazine", is the brainchild of Anne Harrison, a 31year-old comedy writer. It aims to be "strong, original and hilarious, a real challenge to the concept of women's magazines — the biggest launch since Cosmopolitan". The launch budget for magazine and poster advertising is actually

pretty small in magazine terms at £100,000. The initial print run will be 500,000 copies of the 48-page magazine of which it is expected that six or seven pages on average will be advertising. The publishers, Bitch Publica-

tions, are backed by Humour Publications, who produce Zit, the rival to Viz. Statistics show that women do not read Viz and Private Eye. The magazines fail, it seems, in a similar way to the woman in Woody Allen's Manhattan who says: "I finally had an orgasm and my doctor told me it was the wrong kind." Viz is the wrong kind of funny for the girls.

There is nothing for women at the moment," Ms Harrison says."The glossy monthlies present highly unattainable images. Magazines like Cosmo are getting in-creasingly neuronic. They are preaching feminism and careers when the underlying message is how to get a man. They are 20 years out of date. Bitch will be on the shelves next to the glossies and women will say 'What the Hell is that?" and by then be half way to the

Ms Harrison is trying desperate-ly hard to get it right. She will be. she says, putrageous, but not tacky "we won't slip into smutland". This, she enthuses, is the magazine that women have been crying out for. No liberation, no attitudes, just the print equivalent of Victoria JILL SHERMAN | Wood. She has an "infinite num-

# The right kind of funny?



Bitch: first run of 500.000

ber" of potential contributors (if only three full time staff on the editorial side) among them lo Brand, Ruby Wax, French and Saunders, but no one has actually signed up yet. Among the regular features will be spools of teenage photo strips. 'It happened to me' stories and sex features of the 'Find that G-Spot' kind.

Ms Harrison has comic credentials. As well as starting the Comedy Cavern, an alternative contedy club in Liverpool, she wrote for the pilot series of Spitting Image, has written for Radio 4's Week Ending and The News Huddlines, in fact for. "anybody who would pay me and a lot that didn't". Her own experience has shown her the problems facing female wits. Like the humorous magazines, radio's back door entries into mainstream comedy were mainly used by men, she says. The division was clear - men were funny and women wrote about periods. She is not going to

will be joking about periods.
According to Christie Davis, a professor of sociology specialising in humour at the University of Reading. Bitch would best rely on anecdotal humour to attract women. "Men like rule breakers. they laugh, when some one evades them [hence Viz. which, according to its editor, Chris Donald, is read by men 'because men are childish'i. Women take things more seriously. If you look at joking behaviour. men are the tellers and the inventors. Women are the narrators. Male jokes are efficient, everything leads up to the punchline. Women have humour along the way, al-

most incidentally." Maureen Lipman, an award winning columnist on She maga-zine, disagrees. "Most thinking people prefer observational humour, most people do not want to be confronted with the rabbi and two

The publisher's of Bitch are aiming for sales of 350,000 (at a cover price of £1.20) which would put it second only to Cosmopolitan among women's monthly magazines. Ms Harrison's says she can see no reason why it could not sell more than a million — Viz territory.

One problem is that Viz's in-

crease was gradual. So it kept its cult status. Even though it was selling nearly as many copies as the Radio Times, everyone still thought they were enjoying a private joke.

Marcelle D'Argy Smith, the cditor of Cosmopolitan was scathing: Cosmopolitan wouldn't exist if we weren't funny, but I don't know that women want humour relentlessly. I can't stick people who are

funny all the time." True, the idea of Frank Carson living in the front room would not appeal to many, but then a magazine can always be put away. New concepts are rarely treated with anything but scepticism. Ms Hamson now has to prove herself. But at least she will spare us the "male" jokes that she loathes, "I can't remember the worst I ever heard. she says, "but the punchline was tuna lish."

# Camera mad in **Cahors**

Alison Beckett goes south to the Lot. and finds a medieval town that has

been transformed by a surreal cascade

of modern photographic images

hen photographers announce they are not actually photographers but artists, I can't help feeling sceptical. After all. anyone who picks up a camera and presses the button enough times can eventually end up with a good shot. But in a medieval town in the Lot in south-west France, photography has surreally come of age as art. A major new festival, Le Printemps de la Photo, has taken over Cahors with exhibitions everywhere, from a watermill to the cathedral cloisters. and a mass of images projected so disorientatingly across the narrow streets as to make one suspect the influence of the locally-acclaimed

# Attables

ito: cause

"What you see is photographie plasticienne," explains director Regis Durand of the handiwork of such notables as Irving Penn. Bruce Weber and Robert Rauschenberg - whom I always thought of as a "real" artist arryway. But the French phrase is not easily translatable into a language in which photography is generally associated with holiday snaps and wedding

In Cahors the festival is devoted exclusively to photography which serves an artistic purpose. Having Rauschenberg, one of this century's greatest artists among the 20 or so participants, is undoubtedly a help. Rauschenberg has been experimenting with his camera since he started painting over 40 years ago, although his photographs are rarely seen. In his recent snapshots of the fringes of American life, ugliness and beauty are astonishingly

interchangeable. A pink and tat-tered sofa abandoned in a "no parking" zone is as vibrant as Van Gogh's wicker chair, a group of dustbins as attractive as any Cézanne still life.

But Stateside urban living holds no allure for Frenchman Bernard Plossu. Though hailed in Paris as a top photographer, he uses the medium solely for art and, after a lengthy stay in America, has turned miniaturist in protest at big being equated with good. His desert wastes of Arizona, captured as if moonscaped, contrast dramatically with his misty, seductive pictures of the woodlands of France. The only trouble is you may need a magnify ing glass to detect the exhaustive detail of pebbles and foliage. Nature also fascinates Bavarian-

born Nils-Udo, though he is into reorganising it, which he hopes to do soon alongside a Scottish motorway. He calls himself an urban artist and the snaps are a worthy tribute to the final stage of each work, before his more ephemeral creations - a tree decorated with paper or a lake with petals - are blown or washed away. His pictures are appropriately sited in an old watermill with the river swirling in full torrent below.

Cahors is renowned for the lofty towers of its 14th-century Pont Valentre and the remains of Roman baths, so water is a natural theme of the festival. By night, unexpected storms permitting, the riverside streets are transformed with a medley of scenes from Antarctic ice floes to Hamburg quayside bistros, thanks to the



Mysterious universe: Control by John Hilliard, one of the most haunting photographic artists showing in Le Printemps de la Photo

dever projection of photographs on to numerous, wildly-shaped, open-

Significantly the sponsors of the festival, now in its second year, are not the photographic companies which normally dominate such an event, but principally the Cartier Foundation for Contemporary Art, together with Champagne Demoiselle, Crédit Foncier de France and

Sadly the giant images of Polish artist Krzystof Wodiczko which he usually displays on buildings to disguise their normal function can only be seen here inside a gallery projected on the walls. More immediately dramatic are the creations of two Toulouse sculptors. Maria Barthelemy, one of only two women involved in the festival, and

René Sultra, who came across some photo-plates of ancient Egyptian tomb discoveries dating from early this century. By tampering with the original contacts, they have populated the cloisters of St Etienne with glowing images of mummified goddesses which one might expect, any moment, to defy death and two dimensions by getting up and

he only Briton in Le Printemps, John Hilliard. is a Lisson Gallery protégé. He is a past master at experimenting with the mechanics of photography to create a dynamic, imaginary universe which is aggressive, mysterious and intensely emotional, from his finger-pointing *Impératif* to his vision through a goldfish darkly; while his image of two women undressing, inexplicably neither exactly behind nor in front of a two-way blind, is the finest in the festival.

Local portraitist Patrick Olivier shows pictures of gypsies and peasants from remote farms, people outside straight life". whom he spends weeks getting to know. They are hung in a council meeting house that dates from the 12th century, one of several buildings rescued from dereliction by the festival organisers. Reine, a maid who "couldn't read or write or telephone, but really knew how to booze", was his first inspiration. Her character oozes from the portrait

Bruce Weber is most famous as a commercial photographer. Never-

#### **ARTS AND** ENTERTAINMENT

 PARMA: An absorbing exhibition celebrating the life and times of the Duchess Marie Louise, wife of Napoleon Bonaparte, daughter of the Austrian emperor Franz 1 and from 1815 to 1847 ruler of the Italian kingdom of Parma, Piacenza and Guasialla.

The Palazzo Ducale, Colorno (on the outskirts of Parma). Tel: (010) 39 521) 814190. Until July 26.

• M!LAN: German film director Werner Herzog turns to opera in a new production of the Rossini opera. La donna del lago, which receives its world premiere on June 27 under the baton of Riccardo Muti. The cast includes top coloratura soprano June Anderson (alternating with Cecilia Casdia) in the part of Elena, with supporting cast including Martine Dupuy, Jennifer Larmore and the American Rossini tenor Chris Merrin.

Teatro alla Scala, Via Filo-drammatici 2. Tel: (010 302) 72003744, June 27, 29, 30, Jul 1-

• PARIS: Jerome Savary's anarchic production of Shakespeare's play La Nuit des Rois (Iwelfth Night) swamps Shakespeare's delicate comedy with his own brand of burlesque titillation, even to the extent of writing in the odd belly dancer, striptease and Adonis in a G-string.

Théâtre National de Chaillot, 1 place du Trocadéro, Tel; (010 331) 47278115. Until June 20.

• AMSTERDAM: Tracing An-Sky - Jewish Life in Russia 1772-1917 is a well researched show which reveals more than a century of Jewish life in Russia. The renowned An-Sky collection includes ceremonial objects, photographs, folk stories, music and documents, much of it believed lost during the Nazi invasion during the second world war. Jewish Historical Museum, Jonas

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# Well-schooled in scandal

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Germans have been making money at the expense of the system wrote The Representative in 1963, in which he attacked Pope Pius XII for his passivity in the face of the Holocaust, his plays have caused scandal. Soldiers (1967) accused Churchill of doing away with the politically awkward Polish exile leader Sikorski, leading the then German Chancellor to apologise to the British: Juriston (1979) attacked the presence of former Nazi judges in Germany's political life, and led to the resignation of Hans Karl Filbinger as Prime Minister of the state of

Now Hochuth has created a scandal before his latest play is even finished. Wessis in Weimar will be an attack on the way in which West

Baden-Württemberg.

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The scandal has centred on the first of the play's twelve scenes (of which three have so far been revealed). It deals with the murder last year by the Red Army Fraction of Detlev Karsten Rohwedder, head of the all-powerful Treuhand. responsible for privatisation in

Rohwedder is confronted by an

East German pastor's daughter, who accuses him of exploiting the people. He's even worse than Gebler in Schiller's William Tell, she says. Gebler took only ten per cent of people's property and Tell is seen as a hero for killing him. The Treuhand takes 90 per cent - and

Eastern Germany.

"for that you will be executed". The scandal came when Hochhuth gave an interview to manager magazin, in which, although he denied that his play justified Rohwedder's murder, he said he understood why it took place: "Someone who behaves like Rohwedder towards a defenceless population, which was never even asked about its view of the process

Germany's political and business leaders reacted angrily, with Chan-cellor Kohl accusing Hochhuth of defaming a German patriot and providing a kind of licence to his murderers.

of unity, can't be surprised if he gets

MICHAEL LAWTON

OPERA IN ITALY

# Not ready for the ball

ecilia Bartoli is still in her twenties but already we have been assaulted on her account by the heaviest promotional artillery an international record company can mobilise. By the time I went to Bologna to hear her sing the title role in Rossini's Cenerentola I was expecting consummate vocal artistry ignited by a

searing dramatic temperament. In the event, rapture was not quite boundless. Bartoli has a lovely, dark-hued voice which she inflects to richly expressive effect; she comes as close to musical perfection as one could reasonably ask; and she is a vivid actress. So what is missing?

First of all, brilliance. She sings coloratura with a tightly buttonedup technique that prevents the individual notes from blossoming and sparkling, which in this repertoire is no small defect.

Second, and not unrelated, she produces so little volume in fast music that even in a voice-friendly theatre like Bologna's Comunale she is sometimes barely audible in ensembles. And in order to negotiate her final joyful rondo she grimaces wildly. The complete Rossinian of the future, perhaps.

Her Ramiro, William Matteuzzi, is another singer of very mixed appeal: it may seem ungrateful to carn about a tenor who can unfailingly hit a clean top C in mid phrase, but his squeaky timbre could hardly be less appropriate for the ardent and imperious prince.

Claudio Desderi puts his faultless timing and wonderful relish for words to full use as Don Magnifico, Pietro Spagnoli is a refined, softgrained Alidoro, and Lucio Gallo's camp Dandini goes several kilometres over the top. They are all co-ordinated in ensemble with exemplary precision by Riccardo Chailly, who keeps the orchestra on

theless he is a megastar, which

means he can insist on including in

his own exhibition holiday snaps

taken by his father. Why he wants

to is not clear, unless it is something

to do with Weber's obsession with

youth and beauty, mostly male. Or

it may be down to the same quirky

sense of humour that resulted in

shots of a young god bouncing. apparently, from an invisible tram-

poline: a swimming pool full of

blow-up crocodiles; and "evidence"

that a woman can still smile sweetly

As an artist Weber is definitely

borderline. But then, so was War-

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Weber does the same, it is the very

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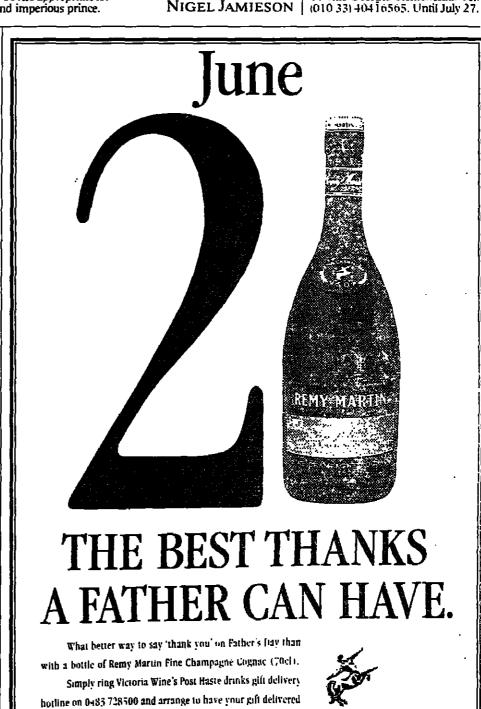
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# **Toothmarks of history**

Palaeontologists in Argentina have found fossil evidence to support the theory that all the continents are fragments of one original supercontinent, Mick Hurrell reports

63-million-year-old tooth in an Argentinian swamp has provided the first firm evidence that South America and Australia were once joined together. The discovery may confirm a longheld theory that all the continents of the world are the offspring of a single mother continent.

The tooth, a molar 12mm long, comes from a monotreme, a primitive egg-laying mammal though to be a distant evolutionary relative of the platypus. But the platypus is unique to Australia, so how did the tooth appear in South America?

Although the two continents are today separated by thousands of miles of ocean, scientists believe they were once connected via Antarctica. In fact the theory goes further: in the far distant past, possibly during the late Precambrian times, 750 to 700 million years ago, a supercontinent broke up, leading to a loose configuration of southern continents known as Gondwanaland.

Gondwanaland itself eventually broke up, leaving Australia connected to South America through Antarctica, which was then much warmer than now. This grouping eventually seperated, leaving the globe's continents organised as we see them today.

Although this theory is supported by evidence from geology and plate tectonics, it has remained a theory. There was no direct evidence linking today's continents to Gondwanaland or South America to Australia, until the discovery of the monotreme tooth.

The discovery has been made by a team led by Rosendo Pascual, a palaeontologist at the National University of La Plata, Buenos Aires. Argentina, who took a group of students on a field trip to a

mangrove swamp on the coast of Patagonia, southern Argentina, about 850km southwest of Buenos Aires. The area had yielded other unidentified teeth in the past.

Professor Pascual remembers that one of the students called him over to look at the tooth. "It was quite different to anything I had seen before." he says.

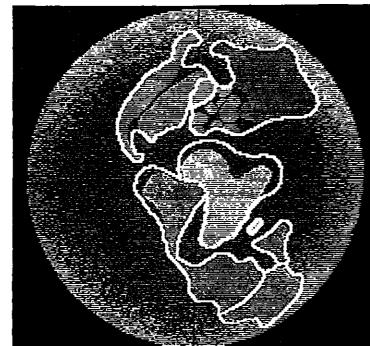
Back in Buenos Aires Professor Pascual and other palaeontologists tried to match the find with the teeth of known animals but to no avail.

"One afternoon a student asked me, almost as a joke, if it could be a

platypus belongs, the monotremes. Initially it sounded like an outrageous piece of imagination," Professor Pascual says.

However by comparing the tooth with examples of Australian monotreme fossils, Professor Pascual found it was almost identical to the teeth of a creature called the obdurodon, a giant, toothed, plant-eating relative or ancestor of the playpus which lived 20 to 25 million years ago in South Australia and south-

west Queensland. Until the discovery of the tooth the



United world: a computer-generated image showing how the continents were once joined, with Antarctica providing a land bridge between present-day South America and Australia

member of the family to which the Australian platypus was one of only two known members of the monotreme family, the other being the spiny anteater, which lives in Australia and New Guinea.

The monotremes, the most primitive of modern mammals, which suckle their young but lay eggs, are thought to have first evolved during the age of the dinosaurs, more than 200 million years ago.

Their history has also been a puzzle, with the first fossils not discovered until 1975 and no intermediate version between the spiny anteater and the platypus ever

The platypus is also an enigmatic relic of the distant past. Of all known mammals it has changed least over evolutionary time.

Playpus teeth, which in modern animals are shed by adulthood and replaced by horny flat structures on which food is crushed, are unlike those of any other creature and feature a double-crested. V-shaped blade system. The tooth found in Patagonia has the same charac-

"The finding goes against every-thing we know." Professor Pascual

argues.
The next question we have to ask ourselves is why this species survived in Australia while disappearing in Patagonia. Perhaps the cold climate and immigration of other species from the north gave rise to its disappearance here, while Austratia's warm climate and isolation allowed this little animal to survive,

Professor Pascual is hopeful that Patagonia will provide further evidence of animal groups once believed unique to Australia.

He believes that southern Argentina has more in common with Australia and Antarctica than with



Dental record: the Argentinian monotreme tooth is almost identical to the teeth in the jaw of a young Australian platypus

the rest of South America. For animals will be found on more example, the region shares many plants with Australia.

The discovery of the monotreme "missing link" has also raised hope that fossil ancestors of Australian

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strange and potentially worrying finding has been made by a British cancer scientist more than six years after the Chernobyl nuclear disaster in the Ukraine which spewed radioactive clouds over large parts of Europe including the north of England, Wales and southern Scotland.

Mice at Durham Univer-sity, alive during and in the weeks following the accident. have been found to have had a significantly increased risk of

developing a range of malignant cancers when compared with mice living before the nuclear explosion. Furthermore, many of the

cancers developed by the university mice are of a kind observed by Soviet officials in people living near the devastated power station in the years after the accident. The findings have been

made by Barry Hemsworth,

**Clouds with dark lining** honorary research fellow in

Durham's biological sciences department and a fellow of the institute of biology. "I cannot think of any obvious explanation other than the link with Chemobyl I have since checked around the university and I gather someone had

noticed a rise in radioactivity. I think this should have been reported at the time," he said.
"Heavy rainfall occurred

over the university during the two weeks after the accident. on the May 4. 5 and 6. 1986 ... this was not reported previously," he said.

Dr Hemsworth, who is funded by the International Agency for Cancer Research in Lyons, France, which is part of the World Health Organisation, is urging other researchers to re-examine their records to see if the effect has been widespread. He believes it is too early to say what the implications might be for human health but notes that the mouse is a good indicator of damage humans can expect. Dr Hemsworth has also found that the transmission of

carcinogenic problems appears to be passed down over at least three generations of mice.

The findings, published in the journal In Vivo. show that among a population of 100

by 19 per cent when compared with 200 mice that died one month prior to the accident. The level of leukaemias similar to those seen in

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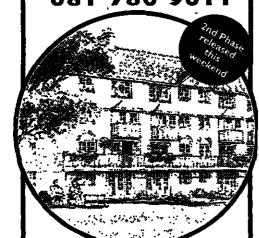
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If you can afford it, go for something dearer, Rachel Kelly writes. Grander houses have fallen more than modest ones

you can afford to trade up, do so.

Prices have dropped across the

any holidaymaker knows, there are advantages to going to the Alps in summer and the Midi in winter and steering clear of museums on bank holiday Mondays; in short, being countercyclical. For those with the nerve and the cash, today's property market is full of such opportunities to buck the trend. Most people are trading down. If

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PRICE COMPARISON

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Rupert Sweeting, of Knight Frank & Rutley's country house department, estimates that a £650,000 farmhouse in Kent has dropped by 23 per cent in four years to £500,000, as the diagram shows. During the same period, that long-coveted Georgian manor

house with its miniature park has also gone down in price, by more than the farmhouse. Its value has fallen 41 per cent, from £1.1 million to £650,000.

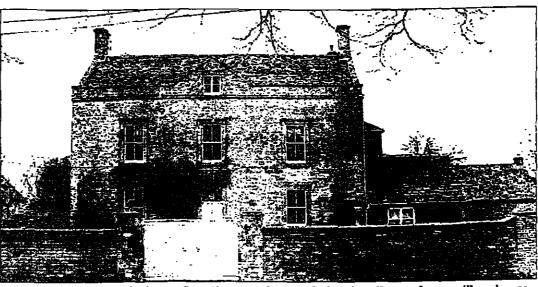
Instead of moping about the fall in price of your farmhouse, concentrate on the price differential between the house you own and the one you have always wanted.

"In 1988, the farmhouse owner would have had to find an extra £450,000 to move from his farmhouse (value £650,000) to a manor house (value £1.1 million)," Mr Sweeting says. "Today the same move would cost only £150,000." Trading up makes most sense in the Home Counties, where manorhouse prices soured and then crashed more violently than elsewhere. Christopher Wilson, from the firm Wilson & Wilson, which advises buyers, says: "Fairly grownup houses in Oxfordshire, Gloucestershire and Berkshire have fallen

the most, by up to 50 per cent.

Mr Wilson gives the example of
the former cookery school,
Winkfield Place, near Windsor, Berkshire, which first went on the market more than a year ago for about £4 million. Offers of £1.8 million are now being considered.

House prices further North have fared better during the recession.



Aston House: a seven-bedroom Georgian mansion, the fruits of trading up from a village house

They were never as over-inflated as in the South and, as a result, the falls have been less steep. Trading up makes less sense.

Martin Toogood has been brave enough to take the trading-up plunge. He has swapped his 225,000 four-bedroom house in Hertfordshire for a seven-bedroom £345,000 Georgian manor, Aston House, in Cold Aston, near Stowon-the-Wold, Gloucestershire, leaning up several rungs of the housing ladder in the process. At the height of the boom. Aston House would have cost at least £450,000. "It has

taken an enormous amount of courage." says Mr Toogood, who is a retail director of Woolworth, "but we knew that there is no time like the present to trade up because of the way house prices have fallen."

expecting their first child next week, would have have been unable to make the same leap two or three vears ago. "You need cash and nerve," he says. "We managed to sell our house, we had cash in the bank, we

employed Christopher Wilson to

help us to find the house, and we

ing up can also take the form of trading closer to London. Mr Wilson says clients ask to see houses in Somerset, Devon and Herefordshire, until they realise they need no longer go so far afield. Mr Toogood and his wife, who is

were able to move quickly." Trad-

Maybe not for long. Knight Frank believes that house prices in most regions have bottomed out, so the differential between a small and a large home is now at its best for those trading up. The reintroduction of stamp duty on houses at less than \$250,000 is further incentive to act now.

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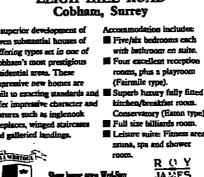
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planned in LA commercial property auction, believed to be the

biggest of its kind, is to be Wootton ULW), the international property consultant, and Kennedy-Wilson a leading American real estate auction-marketing firm. The properties in the auction — to

take place at the Century Plaza Hotel, Century City, Los Angeles, on August 13 — have a potential value of more than \$500 million (about £273 million). Seventy income-producing properties, all in America, will go under the hammer, with reserve prices of between \$1 million and \$22 The event will be publicised

through JLW's 63 offices in 23 countries and throughout the United States jointly with Kennedy-Wilson. News of the super-auction, intended to stimulate the market into recovery, came as JLW announced this week the results of its auction results survey. The survey showed that the volume of sales in London auctions fell

sharply in the first quarter of the year compared with the last quarter of For the Los Angeles auction, the

properties on offer range from offices, ndustrial and retail centres to apartment buildings and hotels, and the vendors include banks, insurance companies, pension funds, corporate owners and private individuals. Most properties are being sold with financng provided by the vendor.

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Explaining the background to the auction, Simon Milde, JLW USA's managing director, says the resurgence in real estate auction sales has

been stimulated by an "imperfect market". Mr Milde explains: "With so many properties now in the hands of lending institutions or government bodies, it is otherwise difficult for foreign and local buyers to gain access to the wide range of properties. in terms of property type, capital size and geographical spread, which appear in this auction."

He says that because there have been so few transactions over the past two years, the auction will help to re-establish market pricing. "As with fine art, the real-estate market is becoming international and an auction is the best way to attract worldwide buyers."

In London, the results of commercial property auctions from six London firms indicate a depressed market. The volume of sales in the auction room fell in the first quarter to £32.24 million from the £77.34

million of the previous quarter. The number of properties on offer also decreased, from 585 to 367.

Introducing Aras, its auction results analysis system. Richard Auterac, a JLW auctioneer, says the start of 1992 has seen confidence in the property market wane because of difficulties in obtaining bank finance. and uncertainties over the general

Despite the election result, Mr Auterac says, "confidence in the secondary market has been affected by the continuing plight of some property companies and banks".

Finance is now available for most investors only in the secondary market, where the tenant covenant is good and the length of lease is at least

"We are not expecting a significant increase in the number of auction lots until the general business confidence and economy recovers, which may be in 1993," Mr Auterac says.

Property yields in all three sectors office, industrial and retail — have improved, however, in the first part of the year, and Mr Auterac predicts that there will be much investor interest in properties with strong covenants. Sale and leasebacks could be a feature of the auction market as companies aim to take advantage of the improvements in yields, particularly in the retail sector. The analysis covers the auction results of JLW, Alisop & Co., Healey & Baker, Edward Erdman, Sallman Harman Healy and Conrad Ritblat & Co.

**MARKET MOVES** 



Ashdown Park: 185 acres and buildings for £3.5 million

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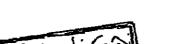
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Before Lord Justice Farquharson, Mr Justice Alliott and Mr Justice

(Judgment May 22) It was undesirable that a full courtmartial should hear detailed argument on the law before advice was tendered to it by the judge

It was recommended that, as a matter of expedition, rule 81(1) of the Rules of Procedure (Air Force) (SI 1972 No 419, as amended by SI 1984 No 1669) made under ion 104 of the Air Force Act 1955, should be widened to permit the judge advocate to sit alone, subject to the direction of the president of the coun-martial, when dealing with legal

The Courts-Martial Appeal Court so held in allowing appeals by Thomas Adam Aitken, Simon hristopher Bennett and Alan Robert Barson against their convictions in December 1989 at a General Court Martial at Royal Air Force Chivenor, Devon, of inflicting grievous bodily harm contrary to section 20 of the Offences against the Person Act

Mr Neil Butterfield, OC and Mr Michael Brabin, assigned by the Registrar of Court-Martial Appeals, for the appellants, Mr unlawfully and maliciously by the Michael Hucker for the appellants.

MR JUSTICE CAZALET, giving the judgment of the court, said that the facts of the case, which were not in dispute, were unusual. In June 1989 there was a party

at RAF. Chivenor to celebrate various postings. A considerable quantity of alcohol was consumed. There was a fair amount of horseplay in which all participated. That included trying to set fire to the fire-resistant trouser legs of the flying suits of two flight lieutenants

by pouring brandy on the suit and

igniting it. It only burned for a short period. The two officers made written statements that they But later in the evening the three appellants made a collective decision to attempt to set light to white spirit poured on the flying suit of another officer, who resisted

only weakly because of the amount he had drunk. The fuel was ignited and flared up rapidly. The appellants took immediate action to pur out the flames but the officer was severely burned. At the trial it was accepted by the

appellants that they had inflicted grievous bodily harm on the officer and the procedution accepted that none of the appellants had intended to cause any harm. The issue was whether the grievous bodily harm had been inflicted

The judge advocate having requested that matters of law be argued before the whole court, skeleton arguments on behalf of the appellants were handed in. Defending counsel told the

judge advocate that if those subsions on the law were not to form the basis of his direction on the law, then they wished to advance further legal arguments to

The judge advocate did not take formal issue with the submissions and did not thereafter avail himself of the opportunity of further he was not to direct the court in accordance with certain of the defence submissions on the law.

The appellants criticised the course that the judge advocate saw fit to follow and contended that in summing up he misdirected the of the word "unlawfully". The Courts-Martial Appeal

Court was told by Mr Hucker, who had considerable experience of court-martial proceedings, that apart from the circumstances set out in rule 81(1) and when matters of corroboration were argued, it was the practice for the full court to hear all submissions on the law. He contended that rule 81(1) as it stood did not permit the presi-

It was quite wrong to suggest that,

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Another judge advocate. Before Lord Justice Dillon, Lord Notwithstanding that, it Justice Stocker and Sir Michael peared to their Lordships that the wording of rule 80(2) did permit (Judgment June 5) the judge advocate, with the leave It was arguable that the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry. of the president, to hear sub-

having required from the plain company pursuant to section 88 of the Fair Trading Act 1973 an undertaking not to obtain more than a certain proportion of the share capital of another company. on the basis of a Monopolies and Mergers Commission report that a bid by the plaintiff for control of the other company might be against the public interest, was

under a private law duty to the plaintiff to release the undertaking immediately after a further MMC report stated that the proposed merger would not be contrary to Since the plaintiff was asserting

a private law right, albeit one arising out of a background of public law, the right was properly asserted in an action by writ without the need for a prior application for judicial review.

The Court of Armeel so, held The Court of Appeal so held

when dismissing an appeal by the defendants, Norman Beresford Tebbit, the secretary of state at the material time, and the Department of Trade and Industry, from the dismissal by Sir Nicolas Browne-Wilkinson. Vice-Chan-cellor (*The Times* September 24, 1991: [1991] 4 All ER 973), of an application by the defendants to strike out the claim of the plaintiff, Lonrho pic, on the ground that the claim disclosed no reasonable cause of action or was an abuse of the process of the court.

Mr Stephen Richards and Mr Michael Patchett-Joyce for the defendants; Mr John Beveridge, QC. Sir William Wade, QC and Mr David Pannick. QC, for

LORD JUSTICE DILLON said arising out of the attempts by Lourho to obtain control of Harrods. It was important to emphasise at the outset that the striking-out application; only the abuse of process point called for a conclusive decision on a point of law at the present stage.

In 1979 Lonrho acquired 29.99 per cent of the issued ordinary shares of House of Fraser plc, made a bid for all the House of Fraser shares. A merger situation within section 64 of the 1973 Act. arose, and the MMC reported that the proposed merger might be expected to operate against the oublic interest

Accordingly, the secretary of state, under section 88 of the Act, obtained from Lonrho an underaking not to acquire more than 30 per cent of the equity share capital of House of Fraser.

Minister might owe duty to Lonrho

After further events, a further MMC report dated February 14. 1985 concluded that an acisition by Lonrho of House of Fraser would not operate contrary

to the public interest. Lonrho had already been press-ing the defendants for a release from the undertaking, and continued to do so, but by March 11. 1985 a company controlled by the Fayed brothers had acquired more than 50 per cent of the House of Fraser shares, and Lonnho was released from its undertaking only on March 14.

Lonrho's case was that once the basis of the undertaking was gone, the secretary of state had no power to continue it and had a duty to release it forthwith because, in the particular circumstances, the urency to Lonrho of being free to make a rival bid was abundantly clear to him.

It was said that that duty was a rivate law one owed directly to Lonrho and not merely a general duty under public law, and that by the secretary of state's dilatoriness and breach of duty in failing to grant the release until too late. Lonrho had lost what might have proved to be a highly profitable opportunity. Lonrho claimed for

On the defendants' application, the Vice-Chancellor decided that as the principal points arising were in developing fields of law involving new and uncertain principles of law and public policy, the issues ould be determined on the full facts as they were found at the trial

plain and obvious that the defen-dants owed no duty to Lourbo in private law, that all the matters arising were of public law and that the release of the undertaking was

a matter for the discretion of the secretary of state. He also urged that there was no precedent for holding that a minister owed a duty of care in private law as a result of the exer public law powers, or for holding a minister of a department of state liable in damages because in good faith they had misconstrued their

nstrued it. But the fields of law concerned were difficult and developing. After considering various authorities, his Lordship said that

legal position, if indeed they had

the imposition of the undertaking on Lonrho was a matter of public law in the public interest, but the public interest in having the undertaking released once the acquisition by Lonrho of the House of Fraser shares was no longer expected to operate against the public interest was considerably more remore and

However, the private interest of Lonrho in having the undertaking released as soon as it was no longer needed in the public interest, was

It therefore did not appal his Lordship that it should be suggested that if the secretary of state imposed the restrictions of the undertaking on Lourho in the public interest, he should thereby assume a private law duty to Lonrho to release the undertaking when it was no longer needed. Thus, although Lonrho faced considerable cunicimes and others might arise on the facts as the evidence emerged at trial and the manire of any private law duty that was held to exist would have to be carefully defined. Lourbo had an analysis of the carefully defined. arguable case since it could not be said that its claim was "obviously doomed to fail", in the words of

Lord Bridge of Harwich in Loarho plc v Faved (The Times July 1 1991; [1992] 1 AC 448, 470). ingly right in not striking out the

There was then the question whether Lonrho's claim ought to be struck out as an abuse of process, on the ground that Lourho should be required to get a raling by way of judicial review before it started any proceedings by way of writ and civil action. Mr Richards, relying on Cocks v Thanet District Council [1983] 2

AC 286), said that it was a matter of public law for Lontho to establish the necessary public law basis on which it could ground a private law right. His Lordship said Londho was

asserting a private law right, albeit arising out of a background of public law. That could be assemed by an action by writ. as in Row Kensington and Chelsea and Westminster FPC (The Times February 10: [1992] 2 WLR 239).
If Lonrho failed to establish the private law right claimed, the action would fail but it was not necessary to apply for judicial review before bringing the action.

Lord Justice Stocker agreed and Sir Michael Kerr delivered a concurring judgment.

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# **Review discouraged**

Regina v Watford Justices, Ex parte Lenman and Others The view that every decision of

justices at preparatory hearings should be subjected to judicial review should be discouraged, particularly where the discretion of

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court (Lord Justice Beldsm and Mr Justice Laws) so held on May 7 when refusing the application of Paul Lenman, Glenn Issitt, Steven Taylor, Martin Taylor and Barry Drewitt for judicial review of the decision of Watford Justices to allow witnesses for the prosecution in committal proceedings to withold their names and addresses and to give evidence from behind screens and through voice distorter

LORD JUSTICE BELDAM said that the applicants had been charged in connection with a serious public disorder in which innocent bystanders entirely unconnected with a group of youths had been the subject of brutal and unprovoked attacks causing seri-

The prosecution had apprehensions as to the willingness of the witnessess to give evidence and the iustices agreed to proposals to

The view that every exercise of discretion by justices at preparatory hearings should be subjected to judicial review should be dis-couraged. Such applications

In such circumstances, where proceedings would be served on fustices, it would help to have giving details of the basis on which decisions were made.

# Lorry is machine

Robinson v R. Durham and Sons Ltd and Another

A heavy goods vehicle was machine moved by mechanical ower for the purposes of section 163 of the Factories Act 1961. Section 163 provides: "Where in a factory the owner or hirer of a machine or implement moved by mechanical power is some person other than the occupier of the factory, the owner or hirer shall, so far as respects any offence under this Act committed in relation to a person who is employed in or

about or in connection with that

machine or implement and is in

the employment or pay of the owner or hirer, be deemed to be

the occupier of the factory." Judge Stroyan, sitting as a judge of the Queen's Bench Division of the High Court in Leeds, so held on February 28 in deciding a preliminary issue in a claim alleg-ing a contravention of section 29 of the 1961 Act and giving judgment for the second defendants. Mabey and Johnson Ltd, the occupiers of a factory where the plaintiff, Kenneth Robinson, had sustained personal injuries after an accident involving a lorry owned or hired by the first defendants, R. Durham

on June 4 when dismissing appeals by Malcolm McCreadie. aged 30, of Upton Park, East Ham, and William John Tume. aged 42, of Loughborough Road, Stockwell, squatters in a shop at Clapham, who were convicted at Kingston upon Thames Crown Court (Judge Wakeley and a jury).

They were conditionally dis-charged for 12 months and The Court of Appeal (Lord Taylor of Gosforth, Lord Chief ordered to pay £120 compensation Justice Mr Justice Machierson to London Electricity Board.
THE LORD CHIEF JUSTICE said that their Lordships agreed with a passage in Smith, The Low of Theft (6th edition (1989) p156)

Electricity theft

that "use implies some consump-tion of electricity which would not squatters switch on the electricity not intending to pay for it, they appear to use it dishonestly." That was the way the prosecution had put the case. The appel-

lants had not apprised the electricity board of their arrival nor where they could be found, they had used electricity and were on the point of leaving when The jury were correctly directed about dishonesty. It was open to them to find that the appellants

were acting dishonestly and to

# Hearsay evidence inadmissible in summary contempt case

Regina v Shokoya

A finding of contempt of court in summary proceedings had to be ashed on the ground that the finding was based upon hearsay evidence given by a police officer relating to what he had been told by someone who was not a witness.

The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Russell, Mr Justice Schiemann and Mrs Justice Ebsworth) so held on May 19 when quashing the finding on March 25, 1992 at Snaresbrook Crown Court by Judge Brooks that Adewola Shokoya was in contempt of court, on which he was sentenced to 14 days in a young

LORD JUSTICE RUSSELL. giving the judgment of the court, said that the appellant gave evi-dence at committal proceedings

launched against a man charged with a serious offence of wounding. The appellant, one of the victims, was a fully bound prosecution witness at the trial. The trial date was fixed and the appellant notified but because of admin-istrative difficulties the date had to

On that and a later date fixed neither the appellant nor two other witnesses appeared, and the ac-cused had to be discharged.

Two days later the appellant surrendered to the crown court and was kept in custody for six days, until the enquiry into his absence when he was required as a

At the enquiry the judge heard evidence from the police officer in charge of the proceedings that he

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other witnesses of the new date and she had confirmed that she had told the appellant of that. However, she was not called to give

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In Barclays Bank plc v O'Brien (The Times June 3) it was not made clear that the court set aside the charge as against Mrs O'Brien's interest in the property, leaving the security enforceable as against the husband's interest in the property partly satisfied by the payment of

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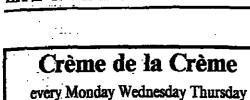
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9.05 Perfect Strangers. American comedy series about two long-lost cousins (c) (6467942) 9.30 Today's Gournet. Jacques Pepin prepares not shrimps on spinach, guilled savoury lamb chops accompanied by curried bulgar with currants rounded off with salpicon of pineapple (20279)

10.00 News, regional news and weather (6388403) 10.05 Playdays (s) (4445836) 10.25 Stoppit and Tidyup. Animation narrated by Terry Wogan (6381590) 10.35 Betty Boop Double Bill (7727519) 10.50 News, regional news and weather (5940887)

10.55 Cricket: Live coverage of one of today's 55-over-a-side Benson and Hedges cup semi-finals (s). Includes news, regional news and weather at 12.00 (98037107) 12.55 Regional News and weather (20102318).

1.00 One O'Clock News. (Ceefax) Weather (71768) 1.30 Neighbours (Ceefax) (5) (59893039)

1.50 Cricket. Further live coverage of one of today's Benson and Hedges cup semi-finals (s) (59412107)

3.50 Henry's Cat. Cartoon narrated by Bob Godfrey (r) (4959213) 4.00 Wildbunch. Wildlife series presented by Mark Evans and Janice Acquah. Fish that can hop on land, a pet that originated from prehistoric times and the reason for the demise of dinosaurs are among this week's topics (s) (6898045) 4.10 Attack of the Killer Tomatoes. Fantasy animation series (s) (2929381) 4.35 The Movie Game. Film and video quiz. (Ceefax) (s) (4599126)

5.00 Newsround (6997923) 5.10 Clowning Around. Episode three of an eight-part Australian children's drama. (Ceefax) (s) (9533126) 5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (441010). Northern Ireland: Inside Ulster 6.00 Six O'Clock News with Anna Ford and Chris Lowe. (Ceefax)

Weather (213)
6.30 Regional News Magazines (565). Northern Ireland: Neighbours



Underwater terror: a shark attacks a swimmer (7.00pm)

7.00 Film: Jaws (1975).

 CHOICE: In box-office takings Steven Spielberg's tale of a maneating shark menacing the ironically named seaside town of Amity was the most successful American film of the 1970s. Tonight it leads the BBC counter-attack against the European football on ITV. Spielberg was only 27 when he made the film, truly a movie brat, but his talent for manipulating audiences was already apparent. From a preposterous plot Spielberg fashions a highly efficient suspense thriller which, like the best examples of the genre, works on what the spectator imagines and not what he sees. Robert Shaw's obsessive shark-hunter tends to dominate but there are effective contributions from Roy Scheider as the police chief and Richard Dreyfuss's oceanographer. The let-down, ironically, is the shark, a lump of plastic that would fool no one (58861) 9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Michael Buerk. (Ceefax) Regional news

and weather (4126) 9.30 Inside Story: The Illegals.

 CHOICE: Illegals were crack Soviet spies, such as Gordon Lonsdale and Rudolph Abel, who operated in the West with false identities, forged documents and fictitious pasts. Unless betrayed by defectors, as these two were, they were almost impossible to detect. Both Lonsdale and Abel feature in Torn Bower's film, along with lesser-known illegals who tell their stories at first hand. Siberian-born Zalomon Lotvin was able to enter the United States as a Polish-Canadian and teach law at a university, while recruiting agents to divulge American arms and atom secrets. Ivan and Sophie Jurkow from Moscow also spied in the United States, with an elaborate cover worked out in East Germany and Brazil. The film claims that illegals are still active, trying to steal the West's industrial and technical expertise. (Ceefax) (775749)

10.20 European Championship Football. Highlights from Stockholm of the opening match of the European championships between Sweden and the group one favourites France, introduced by Desrnond Lynam with Jimmy Hill and Terry Venables. The commentator is Barry Davies (557045)

11.10 Cricket. Highlights from today's 55-overs-per-side Benson and Hedges cup semi-finals (s) (405923) 12.00 Weather (5193492)

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6.45 Open University: Innovation on the Rails (9342497). Ends at 7.10 8.00 BBC Breakfast News (1378942) 8.15 Westminster. A round-up of business from both Houses (6370478) 9.00 Travel Show UK Mini Guides. What to do and where to go in the Dedham Vale area of East Anglia (r) (1783126)

9.05 Daytime on 2. Educational programmes 2.00 News and weather (94738774) followed by 2.05 You and Me (r) (70788346) 2.15 One World Art. Last in the series in which international artists create a work that mirrors their own vision of One World (88883710) 2.25 Holiday Outings. Desmond Lynam. visits an insh castle that has become a luxury hotel, spends a day on a lough and tours the Aran islands (r) (91523251) 2.35 Country File. John Craven launches Photo '92, the annual Country File/Radio Times photographic competition (r) (7663381)

3.00 News and weather (9101942) followed by Westminster Live, introduced by Vivian White (5862403) 3.50 News, regional news and weather (4957855)

4.00 Cricket. Live coverage of the closing session of a Benson and Hedges 55-over-a-side, introduced by Tony Levis. The commentators are Richie Benaud, Ray Illingworth and Jack Bannister (s) (47462792)

7.45 One World: Birthrights. The second of six films on culture and identity from a variety of black perspectives. In Going Beyond the Pale Judy Ling Wong, who heads the pressure group The Black Environment Network, argues that many black and Asian people regard the English countryside with hostility, thinking it to be an environment that upholds predominantly white, Anglo-Saxon values. (Ceefax) (568300) 8.15 Timewatch: Gladio — The Ringmasters.

 CHOICE: This is not the easiest documentary to follow, being at times as shadowy as its subject, but the gist is that as soon as the second world war ended the West recruited a network of secret agents to fight the new enemy from the Soviet Union. Many of the agents were "stay-behinds", former Nazis left high and dry by the liberation of German occupied countries. The prime mover in the setting up of Gladio was the United States Office of Strategic Services, forerunner of the Central Intelligence Agency. British intelligence was apparently involved as well, though the film has little to say about this. Gladio was active in most of western Europe and is said to have been behind the murders of the Belgian Communist leader Julian Lahaut and Italian prime minister Aldo

Moro. There are two more programmes to come. (Ceefax) (601478) 9.00 M\*A\*5\*H. More black humour from the front line Korean war medics. This week Charles falls for a French Red Cross worker and an Army PR man tries to persuade a North Korean pilot to defect to the American side (r) (815213)



Haunted by spirits: restaurateur Albert Finney (9.25pm)

9.25 The Green Man. Episode one of Malcolm Bradbury's three-part adaptation of Kingsley Amis's ghost story starring Albert Finney as an amoral alcoholic Cambridge hotel and restaurant owner (r). Ceefax) (185890)

10.20 10 x 10: Time Stands Still. The series of short films by new filmmakers continues with this documentary focusing on the liford Park Polish Home and its residents, many of whom can recall with pain Stalin's labour camps and the war on the eastern front (792359)

10.30 Newsnight with Francine Stock and Peter Snow (971381)
11.15 The Late Show. A look at the United States in the grip of Japanophobia (s) (672768) 11.55 Weather (753942)

12.00 Open University: The Politics of Equal Opportunity (2046661). Ends at 12.55am

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6.00 TV-am (1977519) 9.25 Cross Wits. Word daiz game hosted by Tom O'Connor (6463126) 9.55 Thames News (1183923)

10.00 Out of this World. American sci-fi sitcom (r) (35478) 10.30 This Morning. Magazine series presented by Richard Madeley and Judy Figure 7 Today's edition includes tips on how to make the most of the National Health Service, advice on family law; and encouragement for those fearful of new technology. With national and international news at 10.55 and regional news at 11.55 483567681

12.10 Allsorts. Young people's entertainment (s) (8519949) 12.30 News with Nicholas Owen and Sonia Ruseler (Oracle) Weather (6579671) 1.10 Thames News (62007010)

1.20 Home and Away. Australian family drama serial. (Oracle) (18179855) 1.50 A Country Practice. Medical drama senal set in the Australian outback (68131010) 2.20 Graham Kerr. The Antipodean cook prepares a stir-fry shark dish

(97121942) 2.50 Take the High Road. Drama series set in the Highlands (7671300) 3.15 ITN News headlines (9291519) 3.20 Thames News headlines

(9281132) 3.25 The Young Doctors Australian drama senes set in a large city hospital (3005565) 3.55 Garfield and Friends, Animation (r) (9441687) 4.20 Follow Your

Nose. Tests of mental and physical skills for young people, introduced by Amanda Ross from White Post Farm in Nottinghamshire (4529861) 4.50 Scooby Doo. Animation

5.10 Home and Away (r.: (Oracle) (7511522) 5.40 Early Evening News with Carol Barnes. (Oracle) Weather (792861) 5.55 Thames Help (r) (928010)

6.00 Thames News. (Oraclei (361)



Joint venture: Johnny Briggs and Eileen Derbyshire (6.30pm)

6.30 Coronation Street. Mike Baldwin and Emily Bishop agree on a new

business deal. (Oracle) (861) 7.00 European Football Championship. Live coverage of the opening game of the championship from the Rasunda Stadium, Stockholm, between Sweden and France, introduced by Elton Welsby. Joining Bobby Moore in the commentary box is former England manager Ron Atkinson. Punditing in the studio are Jack Charlton, Denis Law

and Ian St John is) (32193215)

9.15 Film: The January Man (1989) starring Kevin Cline, Harvey Kertel and Susan Sarandon. Disappointing thriller about a rogue policeman on the trail of a New York serial killer. Directed by Pat O'Connor. (Continues after the news). (Oracle) (s) (380774)

10.00 News at Ten with Trevor McDonald and Julia Somerville. (Oracle) Weather (79749) 10.30 Thames News (558039) 10.40 Film: The January Man continued (1569836)

11.45 Film: The Caine Mutiny (1954) starring Humphrey Bogart, Van Johnson and José Ferrer. Classic courtroom drama about the trial of the leaders of a second world war American destroyer-minesweeper who challenged their unbalanced skipper. Based on the Herman Wouk play and directed by Edward Dmytryk (88149478) 2.15 Hollywood Report. Gossip from Tinseltown (16701) 2.45 America's Top Ten (s) (15072)

3.15 Videofashion. Why frills are making a come-back (24462850) 3.40 Quiz Night. Inter pub and club competition presented by Ted

Robbins (21488701) 4.10 Grand Ole Opry. Country and western music from Nashville Tennessee (33205701)

Britain (59308)

**HTV WEST** 

4.40 Fifty Years On (b/w). Viritage newsreels (58689508) 5.00 Three's Company. American comedy series (59308)
5.30 ITN Morning News with Phil Roman (62527). Ends at 6.00 **CHANNEL 4** 

6.00 Channel 4 Daily (1968861) 9.25 Schools (84029768)

12.00 The Parliament Programme introduced by Anne Perkins (55590).
12.30 Business Daily The latest news from the world's financial centres (91403) 1.00 Sesame Street. Early learning series (96958).
2.00 Film: The Last Train from Madrid (1937, b/w) starning Dorothy Lamour, Lew Ayres and Gilbert Roland. Spanish (ivi) war drama about a dispurate banch of characters trying to escape from Madrid (1937).

on the last train to Valencia. Directed by James Hogan (9843942) 3.25 Film: King of Alcatraz (1938, b/w\starring Lloyd Nolan and Robert Preston Comedy drama about two Ship's radio operators who foil an attempt by a gang to hijack their ship. Directed by Robert Florey

4.30 Fifteen to One. Fast-moving knock-out quiz game (958) 5.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show. The guests are Don Johnson and Melanie Griffith who talk about life, love and their new film Paradise (5180720) 5.55 Laurel and Hardy. Cartoon (926652)

6.00 Kate and Allie. American comedy series. (Teletext) (923). 6.30 The Best of the Word Featuring Natasha Richardson, Marky Mark, Tom Berenger and Primal Scream (s) (403)

7.00 Channel 4 News with Jon Snow and Zeinab Badawi. (Teletext) Weather (169861) 7.50 Party Political Comment from a Liberal Democrat politicali

8.00 Brookside. Soap set in the Merseyside suburbs. (Teletext) (s) (3229) 8.30 Check Out '92. An investigation into prostate cancer. Presented by Carole Peters, Tina Jenkins and Mike Embley (9836)

9.00 Dispatches. A film report about the notorious Peruvian communist party known as the Shining Path. Fortrayed by the government as a group of vicious terrorists, the report reveals it to be a highly organised political party and the most powerful guernila army in

Latin America (292565)

9.45 Short and Curfles: Unusual Ground Floor Conversion. A young author move in to a ground floor flat for peace and quiet and inspiration for a new book and soon discovers why the previous occupiers were so keen to move out. Starring Adnan Dunbar (r) (Teletext) (690126)

10.00 The Golden Girls. Juicy comedy about four Marm matrons (r)

(Teletext) (73519)



Musical escapism: Frank Skinner and Conleth Hill (10.30pm)

10.30 Bunch of Five; Blue Heaven.

 CHOICE: The second in a senes of sitcom pilots is set in the west Midlands and features Frank Skinner as a man in his late twenties living at home with a telly-stupid mother and a fascist father. Frank years to escape but seems destined never to make it, certainly not as one half of the singing duo Blue Heaven. The black and white opening sequence evokes a grim urban landscape, a tone echoed in the modest family semi and general air of life being too much Skinner is also the writer, building this episode around Frank's frenzied attempt to replace his dad's dead whippet, accidentally run larger the day before a race. There is promise here, in some share over the day before a race. There is promise here, in some sharp lines and lively plotting, but the humour tends to come in fits and starts and lacks a central focus (s) (86039)

11.00 4-Play: Shalom Joan Collins by Peter Morgan and Mark Wadlow Jewish Miriam, a dental assistant, fives a humdrum existence with her irascible widowed mother in Golders Green until she comes home late one day and claims to have taken the star of Dynasiy to the airport and invited her round for tea the next day. Starring Julia Swift and Anna Massey (r). (Teletext) (801213)

10am Fin de Siècle. In the last of the senes Salman Rushdie, Alam Frenkelkraut and Stuart Hall explore ethnic and nationalist rivaines in Europe as the year 2000 approaches (r) (5096986). Ends at 1.10

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 6.00am The DJ Kat Show (19973229) 8.40
 Mrs Pepperpot (1556478) 8.55 Lamb Chops Play-a-Long (8508126) 10.00 Let's Make a Deal (73652) 10.30 The Bold and the Beautiful (59872) 11.00 The Young and the Restless (77774) 12.00 St Eisewhere: Tweety and Ralph (34132) 1.00 E Street (77710) 130 Greatol (53658) 2.30 Another World 1.30 Geraldo (53565) 2.30 Another World (7627942) 3.15 The Brady Bunch: Mail Order Hero (399687) 3.45 The DI Kat Show (207768) 5.00 Facts of Life (2519) 5.30 Diffrent Strokes (9584) 6.00 Love at First Sight (6497) 6.30 E Street (7749) 7.00 Alth. Mr. Sandman (9855) 7.30 Candid Camera (2861) 8.00 Battlestar Galactica (88923) 9.00 Chances (71687) 10.00 Stoke (24213) 10.30 Doctor Denoter Member of the Club (98701) Doctor, Doctor, Member of the Club (98701)

**SKY NEWS** 

● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites. News on the hour.
6.00am Survisa (2422010) 9.30 Nightline (46923) 10.00 Dayline (71294) 10.30 Fashion TV (45903) 11.30 Japan Busness Today (4720687) 11.45 International Busness Report (1584381) 12.30pm Good Morning America (51107) 2.30 Pariament Live (7625584) 3.15 Pariament Live (3893930) 4.30 Fashion TV (9774) 5.00 Live at five (16045) 6.30 Newsline (20045) 8.30 Fashion TV (59729) 10.30 Newsline (17519) 11.30 ABC News (97039) 12.30am Newsfire (15140) 1.30 ABC News (34017) 2.30 Beyond 2000 (77850) 3.30 ABC News (89695) 4.30 Beyond 2000 (21508) 5.30 Newsline (95879) SKY MOVIFS4. Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.

SKY MOVIES+ Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
 6.00am Showcase (3638855) 10.00 Bare Essentials (1990): A couple are

marconed on a tropical island (53213)

THE MOVIE CHANNEL

8.00 Jack and the Beanstalk (7194823) 8.55 Alakazam the Great (1961); Japanese

THE COMEDY CHANNEL

• Via the Astra satellite. 4,00pm Mr Ed (3584) 4,30 Punky Brewster (9768) 5,00 Green Acres (3855) 5,30 The New Leave it to Beaver (3720) 6,00 Mr

Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites, 6.30am Moming Stretch (46872) 7.00 American Sports (75768) 8.00 Muscle Night (76497) 9.00 Moming Stretch (46590) 9.30 Footballer's Football Show (49519) 11.30 Moming Stretch (82229) 12.00 British Rugby

League (500584) 2.00pm Stella Artois Tennis (2724836) 6.00 Supercross (97768) 7.00 Watersports (35855) 8.00 Tennis (17403) 9.00 Isle of Man TT Update (98836) 9.30 Nascar Winston Cup (65381) 11.30 Watersports (20381) 12.30-2.30am Austra-Isla Bushi Langue (7701) lian Rugby League (77091)

**EUROSPORT** 

LIFESTYLE

 Via the Astra satellite.
10.00am Getting Fit (13294) 10.30 American Gameshows (1391300) 10.55 Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous (8610768) 11.20 What's New (1526552) 11.25 Search For Tomorrow (8584836) 11.50 Sally Jessy Raphael (5940126) 12.45pra Lunchtox (849652) 1.15 The Joan Rivers Show (3186213) 2.05 Rafferty's Rules (15684781 3.05 Sell-a-Vision (4498216) 3.30 Cover Story (110714.00 Tea Reads (5541284) 4.10 3.05 Sell-a-Vision (4498316) 3.30 Cover Story (1107) 4.00 Tea Break (5541294) 4.10 Dick Van Dyke Show (3121519) 4.40 Amencan Gameshow (5229836) 5.00 Sally Jessy Raphael (3213) 5.30 Sell-a-Vision (1738) 6.00 Remington Steele (80478) 7.00 Sell-a-Vision (125942) 10.00 Jukebox Videos (6485942) 2.00em Jukebox Dance (80614)

CNN Via the Astra satellite

RADIO 1 (FM Stereo and MW. 4.00am Bruno Brookes (FM only) with The Early Breakfast Strow 6.00 Smon Mayo 9.00 Smon Bares 12.30pm Meya His 6.30 News '92 7.00 Mark Goodler's Evening Sesson 9.00 The Man Each Sunshine Show 10.00 Nicky Campbell Goes into the Night 12.00-4.00am Bob Harris (FM only): Featuring Hamssers in in session

RADIO 2

FM Stereo. 4.00am Alex Lester. The Early Show 6.15 Pause for Thought 6.30 Brian Hayes:
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John 7.00 The Houghton Weavers 7.30 County Tales: Yorkshire 8.00 lim Lloyd with Folk on 2
9.00 Nigel Ogden. The Organist Entertains 9.45 The Best of English: The Wonders of Wireless
Arthur English reminisces (r) 10.00 Cosmotheka's Cornedy Songbook 10.30 The Jamesons
12.05am Jazz at the Cafe: Jason Rebello 12.35 Bill Reminels with Night Ride 3.00-4.00 A Little
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Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
 6.15am Whoopee! (1930): Busby Berkeley musical (87970010)

8.55 Alakazam the Great (1961); Japanese cartoon about a monkey (9265497)
10.25 Little Miss Marker (1980); A grl is used as a gambling IOU (38973107)
12.15pm The Adventures of Marco Polo (1938, bAv); Starring Gary Cooper (538229)
2.15 Beach Bail (1965) (345565)
4.15 My Little Pony; Flutter Valley (1987)
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New Leave it to Beaver 137201 6.00 Mr Belvedere (6861) 6.30 Three's Company (4213) 7.00 F Troop (6519) 7.30 McHale's Navy (8887) 8.00 Doctor, Doctor (9039) 8.30 Working It Out (4774) 9.00 Hopan's Heroes (30836) 9.30 Mr Belvedere (27923) 10.00 Corngan and Womack (96565) 10.30 McHale's Navy (58133) SKY SPORTS

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SCREENSPORT

 Via the Astra satalitie.
 7.00am Eurobics (50213) 7.30 Junior Soccer (22792) 9.30 Motorsport (22107) 10.30 Eurobics (40316) 11.00 Snooker (32565) 1.00pm Olympic Preview (71774) 2.00 Eurobics (4565) 2.30 Spanish Football (4294) 3.00 Botting (10958) 4.30 Tennis (49045) 5.30 Ten Pin Bowling (57584) 6.30 Golf: The Course That Jack Built (15010) 7.30 British F2 Championship (38107) 8.30 Spanish Football (3836) 9.00 US PGA Golf (7320478) 10.15 Golf Report (298942) 10.30 IAAF Indoor Soccer (29045) 12.00 Indoor Soccer (56850) 1.00am Spanish Football (95324) 1.30-5.00 1.00am Spanish Football (95324) 1.30-5.00 Basketball (5274891)

RADIO 5

News and sport on the hour until 7,00pm 6,00am World Service: Newshour 6,30 Darrity Baker's Morning Edition 9,00 Schools: Topic Workshop 10,25 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 to 10,40 Cup Cricket, with Eleanor Oldroyd, Berson and Hedges Cup commentary 1,15pm News Updare 1,20 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 to 1,40 Cup Cricket and European Football Championship, with Eleanor Oldroyd and Jon Champion, Cricket: Berson and Hedges Cup; (7,00) Football, Uefa '92 from Stockholm Hosts Sweden play France 9,30 House of Stars (7) 10,10 Hu the North, and 11,00 Sport 12,00-12,10am News; Sport

WORLD SERVICE

All times in BST. 4.30am World Business Report 4.40 Travel and Weather News 4.45 News and Press Review in German 5.00 Morgenmagazin 5.20 Tips für Touristen 5.24 News in German 5.30 Europe Today 5.59 Weather 6.00 World News 6.30 Londres Mann 6.59 Weather 7.00 World News 7.99 News About Britain 7.15 The World Today 7.30 Mendian 8.00 Newsdesk 8.30 Development '92 9.00 World News 9.09 Worlds of Faith 9.15 Objects of Desire 9.30 Ned Sherifin's Counterpoint 10.00 World News 10.05 World Repose Newsdesk 8.30 Counter Sherifin's Counterpoint 10.00 World News 10.05 World Ne 10.00 World News 10.05 World Business Report Live 10.15 Country Style 10.30 World News 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 News Summary 11.01 Ornnibus 11.30 Londres Mich 11.45 Mittagsnagazin 11.59 Business Update Noon Newsdest. 12.30pm Merdan 1.00 World News 1.09 News About Britain 1.15 New Ideas 1.33 The Olympians 1.45 Sports Roundup 2.00 Newshour 3.00 World News 3.05 Outdook Live 3.30 Off the Shelf: An Occasion Roundup 2.00 Newshour 3.00 World News 3.05 Outlook Line 3.30 Off the Shelf: An Occasion for Loving 3.45 Good Books 4.00 World News 4.15 BBC English 4.30 Heure Aktuel 5.00 World and British News 5.14 Travel News 5.15 BBC English 5.30 Londres Soir 6.14 Look Ahead 6.20 World Business Report 6.29 News Summary 6.30 Heute Aktuell 7.00 German Features 7.54 News in German 8.00 World News 8.05 Outlook 8.30 Europe Tonghit 9.00 World News 9.09 The World Today 9.25 Words of Faith 9.30 Assignment 10.00 Newshour 11.00 World News 11.09 News About Britain 11.15 Sports International 11.45 Sports Roundup Midmight News 12.05em World Business Report 12.15 From Our Own Correspondent 12.30 Multibrack 2 1.00 Newsdesk 1.30 Sey, Les and Audiotage 2.00 News 2.05 Outlook 2.30 Waveguide 2.40 Book Chaice 2.45 The Farrang World 3.00 Newsdesk 3.30 Sports International 4.00 News 4.09 Words of Faith 4.15 Sports Roundup

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6.55am Weather; News Headlines 7.00 Morning Concert: Glinka (Spanish Overture No 1); Brouwer (Retratos Catalans)

7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert (cont). VillaLobos (Five Preludes); Ponce
(Ferial); Albeinz (Barcarolle);
Chabrier (España); Auric (Five
Bagatelles) 8.30 News
8.35 Composers of the Week:
Frederick Defius —
Cosmopolitan Influences
Germann Sir Early German Germany. Six Early German Partsongs; The Walk to the Paradise Garden, A Village Romeo and Juliet; A Mass of

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9.35 Midweek Choice, with Susan Sharpe. Albanoni (Oboe Concerto in D minor, Op 9 No 2: Peterborough String Orchestra under Nicholas Daniel, oboe); Kevin Volan (White Man Sleeps No 1: Kronos Quartet); Mozart (Plano Concerto No 21 in C, K 467: Stephen Bishop Kovacevich; London 50 under Colin Davis; Bartok (Bluebeard's Castle, Doors 4 (Bluebeard's Castle, Doors 4 and 5: Loridon SO under Istvan Kertesz); Dołmamy (Sextet in C: Andras Schiff, piano, Gabor Takacs-Nagy, violin, Gabor Orma, viola, Andras Fejer, cello, Kalman Berkes, clannet, Radovan Vlatkovic, horn); Walton (Suite, Escape Michael Paralemy of St Martin-Watton (Stine, Escape Me
Never: Academy of St Martinin-the-Fields under Neville
Marriner); Kevin Volans (White
Man Sleeps No 5: Kronos
Quartery; Donizetti (Ballet
music, L'assedio de Calais:
Philharmonia Orchestra under
Attonna de Atmoria)

Antonio de Almeida) 11.35 BRC Scottish SO under Yoav Talmi performs Beethoven (Overture, Fidelio): Mozart

(Volin Concerto No 5 in A, K 219: Dong-Suk Kang); Brahms (Symphony No 2 in D) 1.00pm News 1.05 Concert Hall: Endellion Quartet performs Shostakovich (String Quartet No 8), Haydn (String Quartet in E flat, Op 71 (String Quartet in a mat, op / 1 No 3) 2.00 Record Review (r) 3.10 Vintage Years: John Steane recalls singers born in the first half of 1892, including the Chilean Renato Zanelli

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RADIO 3 5.00 Music of the Pygmies: Louis Sarno lives with the Bayaka on the border of the Central African Republic. He presents the music of the Ejengi, the forest spirit of the tribe (r) 5.30 Mainly for Pleasure, with Michael Berkeley 7.00 News 7.05 Third Ear: The National Arts Dehate The final discussion

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examines how the strategy
fare in the real world
7.30 BBC Welsh Symphony
Orchestra under Tadaaki
Otaka performs Alun
Hoddanott (Star Children);
Rachmaninoy (Pano Conce Rachmaninov (Piano Concerto No 2 in C minor: Howard Shelley); Elgar (Enigma Variations)
9.10 The Ecology Debate:

Throwing Stones at the Greenhouse CHOICE: There is no escaping the UN's Earth escaping the UN's Earth summit — not even on Radio 3 where we expect the environment to be expessed as pastoral symphonies, tone poems about the sea, or routish chamber music. The only note that could even remotely be called musical in this, the first of two linked documentaries presented by this, the first of two linked documentaries presented by New Scientist consultant Fred Pearce, is the clock that strikes one during a forceful attack on the green lobby by the economist Robert Whelan. This is a reassuring sound because the ticking we heard throughout his contributions made us fear he was preparing to lob a time-bomb at the greens

greens 9.55 Flute and Plano: Aurèle Nicolet, flute, Christoph Keller, piano, perform Weber (Sonata in G, Op 10 No 2; Sonata in D minor, Op 10 No 3); Schubert (Introduction and Variations or "Trockne Blumen", D 802); Messiaen (Le Merle noir); Boulez (Onginel); Isang Yun

Couperin (Concert No 9 in E. Ritratto dell'amore); Leclair (Sonata in C minor, Op 5 No 6, Le Tombeau) (r) 11.30 News 11.35-12.35am Composers of the

10.55 Trio Sonnerio performs

4.00 Choral Evensong sung by the choristers of Bramdean School in Exeter Week: Dvolák (r)
1.00-2.25 Night School (except in Scotland: as Radio 5 at 9am) RADIO 4

(s) Stereo on FM
5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00
News Briefing, and 6.03
Weather 6.10 Farming Today
6.25 Prayer for the Day (s)
6.30 Today, and 6.30, 7.00,
7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News 6.55,
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9.05 Midweek

10.00-10.30 News; You Don't
Have to Work to Be Mad
Here (FM only): The Art of
Skiving. A light-hearted guide
to employment. Written and
presented by Nick Baker (s)

10.00 Daily Service (LW only):
Rome Pilgrimage. From the
chapel of the English College

10.15 The Bible (LW only): The
Gospel according to John.
Read by Tony Britton (7 of 10)

10.30 Woman's Hour. Cheryl
Armitage meets women who
have taken up a second career
in the law. Incl 11.00 News

11.30 Gardeners' Question Time
from Bury St Edmunds (r)

12.00 You and Yours, with Debbie
Thrower

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12.25pm Georgy Girl. There Once
Was an Ugly Duckling. First of
a six-part adaptation by Joe
Dunlop of Margaret Forster's
novel. With Caroline Strong (s)

12.55 Weather 1.00 The World at One, with James Naughtie 1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping 1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping Forecast
2.00 News; Secret Gardens. In a Hole in the Ground There Lived a Tolkien

● CHOICE: Given Tolkien's life-long obsession with dragons, mythology, and philology, he was predestined to write The Hobbit and Lord of the Rings. The biographical

of the Rings. The biographical play that Humphrey Carpenter has based on Tolkien's life up to the moment he first thought of the word hobbit, elementer exercises. eliminates practically everything that does not point directly towards the two books on which the Tolkien cult was

Tonight, with Mark Gregory
(s) 9.59 Weather
10.00 The World Tonight, with
Alexander MacLeod (s)
10.45 A Book at Bedtime: Picnic at

founded. The result is that there is not much flesh on Jonathan Wyatt's Tolkien (s) 2.47 Treasure Islands (r)

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3.00 File on Four (r)
3.42 The Parts' Sue Nelson
examines the technology
behind binoculars, bi-focals and big reflectors

4.00 News 4.05 Kaleidoscope talks to 4.05 Kaleidoscope tairs to Humphrey Carpenter about Secret Gardens, his trilogy of plays for Radio 4; and reviews the film Johnny Suede (s) 4.45 Short Story, Lu-Lu, by Joy Williams Read by Liza Ross 5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather

5.55 Weather 6.00 Six O'Clock News 6.30 Brain of Britain 1992. First Round — North. Chaired by Robert Robinson (s) (r)

7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 Face the Facts, with John
Waite (FM only)
7.45-8.00 Strings, Squeaks and
Jangles (FM only): The
Contrabassoon, The third of
four programmes in which
neonle associated with a people associated with a musical instrument discuss its pleasures and pitfalls (s)
7.20 Woman's Hour (LW only) (r)
8.00 Medicine Now, presented by

Geoff Watts (r) 8.30 Young Turks, Old Stagers: David Walker talks to former radical thinker Ed Berman 9.00 Cause Célèbre: In the last of

9.00 Cause Celebre: In the last of four programmes, Jenni Mris talks to Roger Cooper, who spent five years in tran's Enn prison, accused of being a British spy (s)

9.30 Kaleidoscope (s) (r)

9.45 The Financial World

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Hanging Rock, by Joan Lindsay, Read by Lisa Harrow (8 of 10) 11.00 Victorian Hit Man: Roger Wilkes discusses Michael Maybrick, who, writing as Stephen Adams, composed the religious parlout song The

12.00-12.43am News, incl 12.27 Weather 12.33 Shipping Forecast 12.43 World Service

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